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Syria to be

focus of

PM-Clinton

talks

THE issues surrounding the

resumption of peace talks with Syria are expected to dominate Prime Minister Binyamin

Netanyahu's discussion with President Bill Clinton tomorrow,

senior officials said. The prime

The new focus on Syria follows

several weeks during which Netanyahu and his aides have been concentrating on resuming talks with the Palestinians. With

the Israeli-Palestinian talks now

on track and with a steering com-

mittee expected to meet tomorrow

to discuss contentious issues such

as Hebron, Netanyahu now feels

free to return his attention to the

Early in August, Israel submit-

ted a formal paper expressing its

willingness to have the talks -

which have been stalled since

Fehruary - resume at the Wye Plantation in eastern Maryland.

Statements by Netanyahu and Foreign Minister David Levy dur-

ing the last month have made it

clear that Israel is willing to nego-

tiate on the Golan, as well as on its

preference for an Israeli withdraw-

al from Lebanon in return for

Syrian-backed security guaran-

However, the Syrians have been

insisting that "talks resume where

they left off," but what this means

remains unclear. The Netanyahu

government opposes a private assurance to the US that prime

Syrian track, sources said.

minister leaves for the US today.

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minister Yitzhak Rabin had made. whereby Israel would fully with-

draw from the Golan in return for

satisfaction on Golan-related security arrangements and nor-

Moreover, this government opposes a so-called "non-paper" drawn up in May 1995, in which Israel agreed that the option of "equality" will govern security

arrangements, even after a Golan

Meanwhile, officials deny

reports that Syria has agreed to

Contrary to reports, the new ambassador to Washington, Eliahu

Ben-Elissar, has been informed

that he will not head the talks with

Asked about Netanyahu's stance

on the Golan, Ben-Elissar told Channel 1, "Everything we have to say will be said at the negotiat-

ing table.
"We never said we are placing preconditions on conducting

negotiations with the Syrians, We

always said that we are requesting

to hold talks, bold negotiations

and that all sides would be able to

present their position at the nego-

The US wants to get a "clearer

sense of Israeli thinking for the

period ahead" when Netanyahn visits Clinton at the White House,

a senior US administration official

said yesterday. (Continued on Page 4)

tiating table," Ben-Elissar said.

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EU leaders firm on visiting Orient House

TRALEE. Ireland (Reuter) – Ireland, which now holds the rotating presidency of the European Union, expressed its determination yesterday to have its representative visit the PLO headquarters in eastern Jcrusalem, setting the EU on a potential collision course with the Israeli government.

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the Israeli government.

Irish Foreign Minister Dick
Spring told reporters during an
informal EU foreign ministers' session that an EU "troika" of Ireland, the Netherlands and Italy stood by an earlier decision to see the PLO in Orient House.

"I certainly feel that we should stick by that decision," said Spring.

We want to make a contribution to the Middle East peace process and it is important that we keep a halance in our relations with the Israeli government and the Palestinian Authority," he added.

Later, following a luncheon attended by the 15 foreign min-

isters and several hours of informal talks, the ministers issued a statement criticizing Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu for backing new Jewish construction in the territories as "a source of friction and possible conflict for the

The ministers said Israel should "resume negotiations as soon as possible on the basis of the principles of self-determination for the Palestinians" and

seek "land for peace" with Syria.
"We are concerned that continulng delay is undermining the prospects for peace and the security and prosperity of all the parties," the statement

told Spring in Dublin on Thursday that Israel would frown on any plan by the EU troika to take its fact-finding Middle East mission to eastern

Jerusalem. Levy said that PA Chairman Yasser Arafat had agreed that the Palestinians would not hold political meetings in Jerusalem. Irish officials said they would be seeking clarification from the PLO about whether or not they had reached such an agreement

with the Israeli government. "We'll certainly be seeking clarification on this," said one Irish official. "If it's not Orient House, then there's no point in going," he said.

The EU agreed to go to Orient House at a meeting in July and had not been advised of any change in the location of the

PLO's office, Irish officials said. No date for the troika visit has been planned but ministers had hoped it might take place hefore the year's end.

They said they had been somewhat reassured by talks between Arafat and Netanyahu last week and hoped that the Middle East peace process was getting back on track but wanted to find out for themselves and help maintain its momentum.

Spring outraged the Israeli government last year by visiting Orient House. President Ezer Weizman abruptly canceled planned talks with Spring in



Fire devastates forests, property in Jerusalem Corridor area

A DEVASTATING fire swept through several Jerusalem Corridor communities on Friday, causing mass destruction and raising serious questions about preparedness of the nation's

In just six hours between the time the fire was first reported and finally brought under control, over two dozen homes and buildings were destroyed or damaged, and some 2,000 dunams of forest were ravaged. The Kibbutz Kiryat Anavim guest house was destroyed.

About a dozen people were treated at the scene for smoke inhalation. Two people were taken by Magen David Adom ambulances to Jerusalem's Hadassah-University Hospital, Ein Kerem, where they were reported in good con-

The blaze apparently started in a dump near Foreign Minister David Lovy Abu Ghosh, when a fire set by children got out of control, Jerusalem police spokesman Shmuel Ben-Ruby said. Several children from Abu Gbosh were questioned yesterday hy

> Gilad Hultzman, of the Jewish National Fund's Green Patrol, estimated that 2,000 dunams of forest were destroyed in the hlaze, while Channel I quoted the JNF as saying 2,500 dunams were destroyed.

The forest hardest hit was the Histadrut Teachers Union Forest, according to Hultzman. "I am not ashamed to admit that it was scary," Jerusalem police chief Arye Amit said of his first encounter with the hlaze, from a **BILL HUTMAN**

fire moving east, with dark smoke billowing into the air.

Amit said that by the time many bomes in Kiryat Anavim and the adjoining Moshav Beit Nekofa had already been destroyed, and cvacuation of residents and guest house vacationers was underway, only three fire trucks were at work fighting the blaze.

"Let me just say at this stage there were few firefighting forces on hand," Amit said. He said he would carry out a formal investigation into the handling of the fire, and only afterward draw final conclusions. Internal Security Minister Avigdor Kahalani

said he received reports firefighters were late in arriving, but declined to comment further pending the completion of the investigation. Kahalani ooted, however, that the allegations were particularly serious, as they came just over a year since a Jerusalem Corridor fire that was declared the biggest in the country's history. After that blaze, measures were to be taken

to improve the bandling of fires.
Interior Minister Eli Suissa also called for an investigation by his ministry. After last year's forest fire, the ministry conducted an investigation and released a lengthy report and recom-

"We had seen the smoke, but didn't leave our house until the police came around calling out of his first encounter with the hlaze, from a on loudspeakers for us to evacuate," said police helicopter. "You could literally see the Hananya Deri, 70, sitting near the entrance of

Top fireman blames lack of funding

as root cause for Friday's disaster

the latest proof.

When I arrived the fire was

already way out of coutrol," Ben-Ner said. "It was a catastrophe, and

we are going to have more of them

like it unless action is not taken [to

The lack of firefighting equip-

ment in the area forced extra man-

power and trucks to be called in

from stations in Judea and

Samaria, Tel Aviv, Givatayim, and

Scenes that only last year raised

a public outcry - such as old fire

engines that could barely make it

Ramat Gan, Ben-Ner said.

improve the firefighting service]."

"I'm just worried that I won't get bome in time to prepare for the Shabbat," Deri said. When his wife, Hannah, 74, reminded him that their home might be burned down, he added, "Even if we lose everything, what's most important is that we still have our health."

"I called the police, the fire station, everyone I could think of who could help, but they just kept telling me that everything would be all right," said Shaul Asaraf, 22, also of Beit Nckofa. "I tell you, it's just like the last fire, when the people at [Moshav] Shoresh lost their homes because the firefighters never arrived."

Area residents used boses and sprinklers in desperate attempts to fight the fire. A bandful of residents resisted when police began forcing them to evacuate. The especially hot and dry weather and

breeze from the west moved the fire toward Mevasseret Zion, the large town just outside of Jerusalem. Police prepared to evacuate the eastern part of Mcvasseret, but the plan was scratched after the fire was brought under con-Amit said over 500 policemen and border

policemen were brought to the scene to help with the evacuation of residents and in fighting the fire. Eventually about 15 fire trucks, including several from the Tel Aviv area, were also brought to the scene. Five army helicopters and three light planes

were also called in to help contain the blaze. (Continued on Page 2)

schedule meeting with Arafat

Netanyahu tells cabinet there are no secret agreements with PA

Mordechai to

DEFENSE Mordechai Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat are to speak today for the first time in order to schedule a meet-

ing between them.

There had been speculation that the two would meet today, but it now appears that the meeting will take place later this week. On the agenda will be redeployment in Hebron, the closure, combatting terrorism, prisoner releases and a security arrangement at the Gaza airport.

For Mordechai, who has spent over 30 years fighting terrorism, it will be the first conversation with the Palestinian leader. Yet, last week, just prior to the meeting between the prime minister and Arafat, be told military reporters that Israel's new leadership should have met with the Palestinians

much earlier. At the cabinet meeting Friday, Internal Security Minister Avigdor Kahalani said the three PA offices operating in eastern Jerusalem, in violation of the Oslo Accords, were either closed or moved to areas within the PA's jurisdiction. Kahalani told the ministers that

ARIEH O'SULLIVAN and news agencies Minister Yitzhak two of the three offices -- one han-and Palestinian dling youth and sport activities, dling youth and sport activities, the other vocational training were transferred to Ramallah, while the third, a mapping office based in the Wadi Joz neighbor-

> sent on vacation. Infrastructure Minister Ariel Sharon questioned the report, saying he knew of at least one office head who has been seen in eastern Jerusalem. Prime Minister Binyamin

bood, was closed and its workers

Netanyahu expressed his satisfaction with the closure of the offices. as demanded by Israel. He stressed that Israel would continue to insist that any such illegal activ-

ity in Jerusalcm be stopped.
"We will make clear to the Palestinian Authority that Jerusalem will stay under our full control," he said, dismissing Sharon's questions and terming Kahalani's report "authoritative."

Science Minister Binyamin Ze'ev Begin raised the issue of Netanyahu's meeting with Arafat. Begin said he wanted to see a

copy of the document detailing the (Continued on Page 2)

Hitler stashed 'Mein Kampf' cash profits in Swiss bank

AS flames and smoke hillowed

from the valley below, Deputy National Fire Chief Shimon Ben-

Ner stood at the hilltop makeshift

command center set up Friday

afternoon near Kibbutz Ma'aleh

Hahamisha, and defiantly rejected

allegations be was caught unpre-

Not the firefighters and their

commanders, but the government

leaders who for years have ignored

the nation's firefighting needs were to hlame, Ben-Ner told

about our performance, hut they

only reflect an ignorance of the

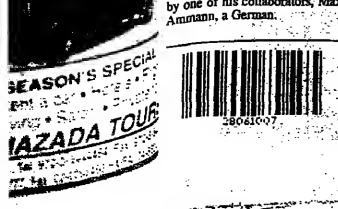
real situation," Ben-Ner said.

Yes, I've heard the complaints

reporters.

LONDON (Reuter) - Adolf Hitler stashed the huge earnings from sales of his political tract Mein Kampf in secret Swiss bank accounts, Britain's Jewish Chronicle newspaper reported

The Chronicle said that recently declassified US intelligence reports show that Hitler held numbered accounts at Union Bank of Switzerland (UBS) in Berne and that they were handled by one of his collaborators, Max Ammann, a German.



foreign exchange income of Hitler's Nazi Party was banked at UBS, the Chronicle said.

A UBS spokesman in London declined to comment oo the report, saying Swiss law prohibits bankers from discussing

their customers' accounts. The report follows the recent declassification of other US documents that showed several tons of gold seized from Holocaust victims by the Nazis was placed in Swiss bank accounts and divided up between the Allies

after World War II. Hitler wrote Mein Kampf (My Struggle), in which he set out his Nazi political philosophy, while imprisoned for his part in the

The authors of the 1944 intelligence report also believe that the of 1923.

In most developed countries,

for every 1,000 people there is one

firefighter. In Israel, there is a fire-

fighter for every 5,000 people," be

"For the past 20 years this coun-

try has been growing fast, popula-

tion centers are expanding, but the

firefighting service hasn't been

improved accordingly," Ben-Ner

The deputy fire chief said Jerusalem Corridor fire stations

were beefed up following the dev-

astating fire that hit the area last

year. But, he added, there is still a

long way to go, and Friday's fire is

It was published in 1925 and after Hitler came to power in 1933 it was made a school textbook, selling millions of copies

in Germany and abroad. The discovery of the 'Hitler accounts' is seen as underlining the importance of Switzerland as a banking baven for the Nazis,"

said the Jewish Chronicle. The World Jewish Congress believes that billions of dollars belonging to Holocaust victims are still hidden away in Switzerland and it wants the

banks to release the money. Some of the mooey was placed in the banks by Jews before the war, but much of it was stolen by the Nazis.

up the steep Jerusalem Corridor IDF: We did our job, Page 2 Police ask Suissa to deport 35 underworld figures

While firefighters were apparently

quick in arriving at the scene, they

were too few in number to be

Ben-Ner said part of the problem

had to do with the terrain, with

even new trucks unable to reach

He said he called in the army

helicopters to drop water and

chemicals to put out the blaze, "as

Jerusalem police chief Arye

Amit, however, said he called on

the army for help when he realized

the ground forces sent by the fire

service were inadequate.

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fires in the middle of a forest.

effective.

POLICE have given Interior Minister Eli Suissa a list of 35 international organized crime figures living in Israel that it wants the ministry to deport, police sources said over the weekend.

The suspects, mostly from the former Soviet Union, are allegedly involved in a wide range of illegal activity here, from running prostitution and gambling rings, to trying to buy off politi-. cians oo both the local and national level, the sources said.

Suissa was given the list last week. Discussions between mioistry officials and police are to be held soon on the matter, the sources said.

Suissa is being asked to sign deportation orders for most of the suspects. Some of them are presently abroad, so the minister has the option of issuing orders forbidding them to return.

The International Crimes Department of the Serious Crimes Division has been drawing up the list for months. The work involved what police call "mapping" - the difficult job of iden-tifying major criminal figures in terms of their

positions in the underworld. A senior police source who was involved in the project told The Jerusalem Post that the beart of the problem is the fact that there are no laws preventing the laundering of illegally obtained funds in this country.

Many of the suspects get involved in crimical activity ooce the arrive here, but the reason they come is because they can transfer large sums from their illegal activities abroad and invest them in legitimate projects here with relative ease, the source said.

Internal Security Minister Avigdor Kahalani hriefed the cabinet two weeks ago on measures being taken to fight organized crime.

The source said that if the 35 are deported, it will not only be a major blow to organized crime bere, but would deter other foreign criminals from coming to Israel.

Iraq says it fired missiles against **US** warplanes

BAGHDAD (Reuter) - Iraq said yesterday that its air defense units fired surface-toair missiles against the US and allied warplanes policing the no-fly zones in southern and northern Iraq.

"Our brave air defense men have confronted the hostile warplanes and fired surface-toair missiles, but they missed their targets this time," Iraqi state-rum television said, quoting a military spokesman.

The US said it could not confirm that Iraq bad fired surface-to-air missiles against US warplanes policing the no-fly zones, which were set up after the 1991 Gulf war that ousted Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

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Donors discuss ways to reduce PA's deficit

ISRAEL will grant an additional 18,000 work permits to Palestinians and permit 300 more trucks from the territories to enter the country daily, Israeli and American officials said Friday.

Israel made the announcement . at Thursday evening's meeting at the State Department of the ad hoc liaison committee of countries contributing to Palestinian development efforts. It was the first such meeting

since April. The new ambassador to the US. Eliyahu Ben-Elissar, met a PA

official for the first time when he shook Economic and Planning Minister Nahil Shaath's hand at

He told Israeli reporters Friday that it was "difficult" for him to do

An American official said the US helieves that 60,000 Palestinians working in Israel would provide the tax revenue necessary to meet the PA budget, and that the Israeli steps represent a "good beginning."

The committee discussed ways of reducing the PA's projected budget deficit of \$127 million this year, and to expand short and long-term employment in the terri-tories through what are referred to as "core" infrastructure projects.

The six-hour meeting "came in a good context" of the previous day's initial summit hetween Minister Binyamio HILLEL KUTTLER WASHINGTON

18,000 more permits

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Palestinian workers

Netanyahn and PA Chairman Yasser Arafat, the US official said. The oet effect was that we left, I think, at the end of the meeting with a strong sense that just as the political process had been put back on track ... the economic process as embodied by the donor

effort was also put on track," he The increases will bring to 50,000 people and 800 trucks allowed into Israel daily, and are to be implemented in the coming weeks, according to the Israeli and

US officials. The Israeli official also said the government will ease the entry of workers and ambulances seeking to reach hospitals in eastern Jerusalem, and will grant more than 50 percent more passes for Palestinian husinessmen to circu-

The US official conceded that the steps are but a stop-gap measure because with 30,000 Palestinians entering the work force annually, "Israel is not the answer" and the PA ultimately "will need to generate a self-sustaining economy that has more employment opportunities within

Consequently, Thursday's committee meeting had "less of a focus on near-term joh creation," while looking more toward devel-

oping long-range employment, he said.

The committee also explored the huilding of a railroad line linking Karni and Erez to Ashdod to expedite exports of Palestinian

American officials expect a team from the World Bank to visit the region this week to study the matter and said Israel is considering linking the railroad to the West

"The essence of what they did demonstrates that they understand very well that it's important to try to alleviate the conditions in the territories and that they, too, have a stake in that happening," he said of Israel's announcements.

The committee will meet again in Gaza in two weeks to develop a strategy for prodding donor countries to contribute their pledges hy the time a consultative group of all donor countries meets in Europe on November 18, the US official

Fifty-four percent of the \$2.2 billion pledged to the Palestinian cause at a conference here three years ago has actually been dis-hursed, he said, citing World Bank figures, with \$287 million provid-

The US will also send out invitations next week for an unrelated meeting here in early October of those countries interested in investing in Lebanon's reconstruc-



Demonstrators urge government to continue peace process

ON the eve of Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu's visit to the US, left-wing groups demonstrated last night in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv urging the government to continue with the peace process.

About 1,000 members of the Peace Now movement held a torch-light procession to the Prime

Arafat meets Mubarak

Minister's Residence in Jerusalem. The procession marked the third anniversary of the Oslo agreement. The demonstrators called on Netanyahu to honor the agreements, and in particular to carry out the long-delayed partial with-

drawal of IDF troops from Hebron Peace Now Leader Sali Reshef accused Netanyahu of trying to halt the process. There is no peace process," Reshef said. "The prime minister bad a meeting with (Palestinian leader) Yasser Arafat,

but did his best to make it seem unimportant."

At a smaller demonstration in Tel Aviv, at the square where Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin was murdered, his son Yuval said the peace camp would support the Netanyahu government if it continues with the peace process.

Christopher seeks 'concrete' steps from Israel

Minister Binyamin Netanyahu mel with Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat, the Clinton Administration is urging Israel to take other "concrete steps" toward the Palestinians:

Indicating growing impatience with Netanyaha within the Clinton Administration, US Secretary of State Warren Christopber said American officials pressed for the meeting with Arafat and now it is time "to take tangible steps to move the peace process forward."

Christopher told reporters travelling with him on a five-day trip to Europe that he would take this line when he meets Foreign Minister David Levy in London today.

agenda for Netanyahu's meetings in Washington tomorrow with President Bill Clinton, Christopher and Defeose Secretary William

The US had been intensely

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The Jewish National Fund used

planes to spray a white foam con-

taining a fire-proof substance on

trees to keep the fire from spread-

ing, apparently for the first time.

Amit said he called the heli-

copters and planes for help after

his initial flyover in a police heli-

copter, and that the aircraft were

the major factor in containing the

A review of the damage yester-

day showed that in Kiryat Anavim

14 homes and the guest house

LONDON - Only a few days after involved behind the scenes in persuading Netanyahu to meet Arafat last Wednesday.

Christopher said that first meeting has been "a very important psychological breakthrough.

"And now we'd like to see that translated into ... concrete steps to move forward in the actual [peace]

There are a number of issues on the table and I hope there will be a momentum coming out of the meeting that will enable the parties to

Although pressed by reporters, Christopher would only specify one step he would like to see taken: a "substantial easing" of the closure.

Netanyahu has indicated he would do this and Christopher acknowledged it is quite likely to happen, now that the prime minister and Arafat have talked face-to-face and Netanyahu could understand the difficulties caused by the clo-

were destroyed, and another 10

huildings were damaged, the

police spokesman said yesterday.

The number was far less than

originally thought.
The kibbutz chicken coops and

several warehouses were also

In Beit Nekofa, the lawns in

front of several homes were dam-

aged, hut the homes themselves

were untouched. Several ware-

houses in the moshav were also

damaged, according to the

The grieving familles Pinsky, Zilcha, Cohen

spokesman.

ברוך דיין אמת

With deep sorrow we mourne the loss of

SANDRA PINSKY

(née Bienenfeld)

our dear daughter-in-law, sister-in-law, and aunt who was

taken from us on Friday 22 Elul 5756, September 6, 1996

With deep sorrow we announce the passing of

Dr. DAVID GILD

The funeral will be held on

Sunday, September 8, 1996 at 3:00 p.m.

at Har Hamenuchot, Givat Shaul.

The family in Israel and in Australia

destroyed, the spokesman said.

amid new threats on summit 'I asked Netanyahu to let us work Authority

PALESTINIAN Chairman Yasser Arafat met Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak yesterday amid renewed warnings that the Cairo regional economic summit may be canceled without progress in peace talks.

Egypt has sought to push the talks forward by threatening to cancel the Middle East and North Africa Economic Conference, scheduled for November 12-14. It would be the third such meeting following summits in Morocco and

The conference is considered important to the peace process because it will help integrate Israel into the region's economy.

But Mubarak and other Egyptian officials have warned that without success in talks with the Palestiniaris and the resumption of negotiations with Lebanon and Syria, they would be hard-pressed to justify rewarding Israel with bet-

They remained pessimistic even after Prime Minister Beojamin Netanyahu's first meeting with Arafat on Wednesday.

The point is oot just meeting and shaking bands," Egyptian Foreign Minister Amr Moussa said after the meeting with Arafat. "The point is implementing agreements and that everybody should feel that the peace process has been reacti-

Arafat met Mubarak, Moussa and Osama Baz, Mubarak's top political adviser, at the Cairo airport for about 45 minutes. Neither Mubarak nor Arafat commented after the

But Moussa said Arafat was disappointed by the follow-up to his meeting with Netanyahu, who later told his Likud Party members that there would never be a Palestinian

"Arafat is surprised that the meeting has not led to something," Moussa said.

Earlier yesterday, while still in ltaly, Arafat told an international ess forum that peace in the Middle East was still in grave danger despite his meeting with Netanyahu. Arafat appealed to the European

Union for help in supporting the shattered Palestinian economy and reviving the stalled peace process. This peace process faces real dangers as a result of the policies of the new Israeli government," said

so hunger won't breed extremism'

ROME (AP) - Yasser Arafat says be looked Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu in the eyes last week and told him: "Let us [Palestinians] work so that bunger won't be exploited by extremist

In an interview published yesterday in the Rome daily La Repubblica, Arafat recalled some of the moments of his ice-breaking meeting three days earlier with Netanyahu.

Arafat was interviewed in Cemobbio, a northem Italian resort, where he was participating in an international conference of business and political leaders.

He said of the Netanyahu meeting: "Frankly, bowever, I'm still not able to say if it was only a symbolic meeting, of propaganda, or one of substance. We'll see in the next weeks if it really served to get moving again the process to realize the accords made with previous Israeli governments. Accords that, I want to remind all as I did with Netanyahu, are not only bilateral, but international, with the guarantee and sponsorship of the major powers....

Arafat had other memories of the meeting at the Israeli-Gaza bor-

"At one point, while we were discussing diplomatic questions, I looked Netanyahu straight in the eyes and I told him: 'Listen, you always talk about security, but do you known what happened a few

days ago?
We arrested a father who had sold his 17-year-old son to those from Hamas, a kid destined to become a kamikaze terrorist. Here's what hunger does, here's what the economic blockade you're imposing on us does. That's why the peace process must go ahead."

And: "I recalled to Netanyahu that the United States gives away \$28 hillion to Mexico so that the Mexican economic disaster won have harmful influences on America. And he replied: but we don't have \$28 billion to give you. I looked him straight in the eyes again and told him: I'm not asking you for \$28 hillion, I'm asking you to let us work so that hunger won't be exploited by extremist forces." The interviewer reminded Arafat that he recently warned that the intifada could start up again.

"The situation is dramatic and all should know it, they should be

"For this reason I say, and I said it to the Israeli premier, that patience has its limits. From a hungry person you can expect anything," Arafat replied. Asked if he considered Netanyahu an enemy or a partner, Arafat

replied: "I respect the choices of the Israelis. The Palestinian added: "With Netanyahu, we're only at the beginoing, I don't know if he will have the same courage" as Rabin and

Arafat said he also told Netanyahu that he can't ignore that the West Bank continues to be settled.

"With this land, we must eat. In our land, there are olive trees that go hack to the times of the Romans....and they [the settlers] are uprooting them."

He attacked Israel's policies "on the issue of Holy Jerusalem, where it forbids Moslems and Christians from carrying out their religious rites, its deliberate delay to redeploy from the city of Hebron and its deliberate delay to carry out the pending issues of the transition

On Friday evening, Arafat said that the 1993 peace agreement signed by Israel and the PLO must be respected. "We are not asking to hamper the cause of peace.

for the moon, we are asking for what has been agreed upon and what has been signed to be implemented," Arafat said.

But Arafat did describe his meeting with Netanyahu as "the icebreaker, shattering a barrier put up hy certain circles to block the peace process, the peace of the hrave." In an interview with La

Repubblica Arafat said he told Netanyahu that extremists from both sides were working together

Perry calls Mordechai at home to update him on situation in Iraq

ARIEH O'SULLIVAN

US SECRETARY of Defense William Perry telephoned his Israeli counterpart Yitzhak Mordechai at home last night to update bim on the situation in Iraq and the US military actions there.

Mordechai, who is to visit

Washington next month, thanked Perry for the cooperation and good communications between the United States and Israel, and particularly the special links between the Pentagon and the Defense Ministry this past week.

The phone call came after the US gave Turkey a green light to send troops into oorthern Iraq to enforce a security zone following Iraq's temporary assault on. Iranian-backed Kurdisb rebels. The US has constantly updated Israel both prior to and after the firing of 44 cruise missiles at Iraci targets to force Saddam Hussein to withdraw his troops.

Perry said he was looking forward to hosting Mordechai in October and discussing defense issues. The agenda for those talks includes strategic cooperation between the two countries. Shortly after his appointment as defense minister, Perry invited Mordechai to visit Washington on August 4. But Mordechai, a newcomer to Israeli politics, preferred to delay the visit in order to spend more time in his position. The Americans are considering

the visit very important since Mordechai holds one of the key spots in Prime Minister Binyamin · government Netanyahu's Mordechai has reportedly said he does not intend to ormi ping list with him for his first meeting with Perry.

Channel 2, quoting American diplomatic sources, reported last night that the Washington administration considers Mordechai one of the most moderate members of Netanyahu's government. Because of this, the station reported, a meeting is heing arranged hetween Mordechai and President Clinton.

But Israeli officials close to the minister dismissed the report, adding that no such meeting is on the agenda.

MORDECHAI

(Continued from Page 1) understandings reached during the secret talks which allowed the

meeting to occur. Begin also wanted to know if any secret agreements were reached between the sides. Netanyahu promised to give

Begin and the other ministers the contents of the understanding hetween the government and the Palestinians regarding the agenda for future negotiations with them, and reiterated that there are no secret agreements between Israel and the Palestinians, according to the cabinet secretary. Most of the meeting was devot-

ed to talks about ongoing issues, and was termed "quiet" hy those in the Prime Minister's Office, especially in light of what took place at the Likud central committee meeting Thursday night. Netanyahu also reported on the

appointment of Health Minister Tzahi Hanegbi as acting justice minister. He said Defeose Minister Mordechai would fill in for him during his visit to the US, since Foreign Minister David

Levy, on a tour of Europe, said oo Friday that ministers who believe the government's policy is a catastrophe must draw the necessary conclusions and resign. Levy said the prime minister did not have to take steps to remove such ministers, but rather that it was the duty of the minister who felt this way to resign. Otherwise, he would be supporting these very policies, Levy said. Levy stressed that in its guide-

lines, the government committed itself to recognizing the Oslo Accords and continuing contacts with the PA. He said that stopping the political process would he tantamount to "a return to hell," and stressed that continuing the process is a test of the government's credibility. In Dublin, Levy said it is clear

the government recognized the 4. PA, with which it has contacts, adding, "The government told the Knesset, and through it the entire people, that this is the partner and that it intended to talk with it and to advance the peace process. It did oot say this to mislead the Knesset and fool the people. It is true to its message, its guidelines and the platform of the Likud and its partners.

'You can't have the best of both worlds. If anyone has an alternative, let them present it," he said-"What's the alternative, from out standpoint - oot meeting with the A Authority, not meeting with Arafat, abandoning the govern ment's guidelines, abandoning the Likud platform, going to the unknown, starting over, returning to hell, feeling our way for some thing in the dark?

IDF hints free use of choppers to fight fire absolves them of any negligence

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"The IAF helicopters are not

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call for deploying helicopters in these circumstances in pairs within two hours of any request. But on Friday, the army said, the first pair of Yasur helicopters took off less than an hour after the first call for IDF help was received at 1:24 p.m. Ail five helicopters available Friday were belping put out the near Kibbutz Kiryat Anavlm hy 5

The helicopters took turns fight-ing the hlaze by dropping huge

"Contrary to various reports, no one has paid the air force for the use of the heavy transport helicopters in firefighting missions for the past five years. The air force has therefore been forced to cover the expense," the IDF Spokesman

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THE IDF said it was not being reimbursed for sending five CH-53 heavy transport helicopters to fight Friday's fire in the Jerusalem Corridor, even though the choppers are technically for military

In a statement, the army hinted that the free service absolved them of any blame in the resulting inquiry into the inadequate attempt to fight the fire, which destroyed 40 structures and humed over 2,000 dunams of for-

intended for putting out fires but for military roles," the IDF Spokesman said. The army said that regulations

forest fire burning out of control

p.m., the army said.

tanks of water onto the flames, in what the army said were particularly difficult conditions, until 7:30 p.m. Friday night.

Turkey may partly clear Iraq buffer zone

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TURKEY said yesterday that it may clear some settlements from a "buffer zone" it plans to create in northern Iraq to prevent infiltrations by separatist Turkish Kurdish rebels.

Settlements in the buffer zone to be created may be partially emptied because of the terrorists, but not generally," Foreign Minister
Tansu Ciller was quoted by the
state-run Anatolian news agency as
saying, referring to Kurdistan
Workers Party (PKK) guerrillas, who use northern Iraq as a lanchpad for attacks on Turkey.

Turkish troops have been massing on the porous border with Iraq apparent readiness tn push against the PKK, hut army officials would not confirm or deny Turkish press reports that troops bad already mounted some crossborder attacks.

A Foreign Ministry nfficial said Ankara wanted to empty some border settlements to ensure civilians were not caoght up in fighting and were unable to give refuge or support to the PKK. He did not say how they could be emptied or how many settlements Ciller was

"So eivilians are not harmed, and to prevent the terrorists securing support from the people there - even if hy force - this will be put in to practice among other mea-sures if conditions dictate it," the official told Reuters.

He said another measure now being studied was a long-mooted plan of an electronie early warning system for the border.

The official said Turkey's preference was not to mount an operation into the area hut to tighten up border security.

Ciller defended the planned security cordon.

Turkey is determined to protect its own borders," Anatolian quoted her as saying. This thing



Scores of Turkish trucks line up along the road near Habur on the border with Iraq yesterday after Turkey temporarily closed the border to traffic because of fighting hetween rival Kurdish factions in northern Iraq. Most of the truckers were on their way to Iraq to buy low-priced fuel in order to sell it for a profit in Turkey.

called a cordon really constitutes measures just across our border, which are going to prevent entry into our borders."

She said any measures would be taken in consultation with Turkey's neighbors and allies. "Particularly given the latest for [the measures] has more or less of Arbil from a rival group. been seen and registered and in a sense accepted."

The United States launched missile attacks on Tuesday and Wednesday on southern Iraq in retaliation against Baghdad for sending troops into northern Iraq to help a Kurdish faction wrest the main eity In a sign Ankara may try to

make use of ethnie Turks living in nnrthern Iraq to bolster its case for interventioo, Ciller earlier demanded allied protection for lraq's Turkomans.
"Under Operation Provide

Comfort it was eovisaged that

Kurdish citizens in northern Iraq be protected. We want the Turkomans to be taken within this Iraqi opposition sources and framework of protection," Ciller

Marc Grossman. US-led air patrols over northern Iraq - known as Operation Provide

said after meeting US Ambassador

1991 Gulf War to protect Iraqi Kurds from attacks by Baghdad.

presentatives of the Turkomans, a Turkie community of around two million of whom 200,000 live in northern Iraq, have said that Iraqi soldiers were arresting and killing some Turkomans in Arbil. (Reuter) Comfort -were set up after the

Christopher gives Ankara green light for security zone in Iraq

LONDON (AP) - US Secretary of State Warren Christopher gave Turkey the green light yesterday to send troops into nnrihern Iraq in create a buffer zone meant to keep Kurdish guerrillas from attacking Turkish territory.

"We understand their reason for doing so," Christopher said. He stressed that the zone along the 322-kilometer horder should be very thio and temporary. Ankara has said that it plans to enforce a security zone as wide as 20 kilometers along

the mnuntainnus border. Earlier this week, Turkey conducted an air attack nn mem-bers of the Kurdistan Workers Party, or PKK, which has faught for 12 years to carve an independent state out of parts of snutheastern Turkey. The United States considers the PKK a terrorist organization.

The Turks have genuine rea-snus to be enneerned about their horder and the PKK,"

Christopher said.
Turkish Fnreign Minister
Tansu Ciller sent US President Bill Clinton a letter this week nntifying him of plans for the security zone, which would he defended with heavy artillery and aircraft. Turkish nfficials have not said how many troops

they will send into Iraq. Eveo while attacking Iraq with cruise missiles, the Clintnn administratinn has said it supports lraq's territorial iotegrity. Some erities of the US assault have warned that it may destabilize Iraq and the

Report: Iraqi thrust disrupted CIA plot to oust Saddam

(Reuter) WASHINGTON Saddam Hussein's assault on Kurds in northern Iraq undermined a covert operation by the Central Intelligence Agency aimed at over-throwing the Iraqi leader, *The New* York Times reported yesterday.

Citing US intelligence sources, the Times said the handful of CIA officers overseeing a stepped-up covert operation in northern Iraq fled last week as Iraqi forces occupied the city of Arbil.

They were the only American spies left in the mountains and valleys north of Baghdad, and left Department and US military per-behind a fragmented cadre of sonnel, will make the operation in 1,500 suspected traqi and Kurdish more than 1995.

agents, among them Iraqi military northern Iraq "very difficult" to defectors and Kurdish rebels, the continue, one officials told the defectors and Kurdish rebels, the paper said. US President Bill Clinton expand-

ed the covert operation in January, signing a secret order directing the CIA to provide weapons, organize some military training and install some intelligence-gathering equip-ment for the fractious group seeking to unseat Saddam, the officials told

The departure of the American intelligence officers involved in this effort, who left along with State

,newspaper.
Although Saddam's armed forces

have left Arbil, which they occupied on August 31, American officials say the Iraqi leader left behind a large secret police force to infiltrate the area, with orders to root out The Times said the list of people

to arrest and interrogate would presumably include Iraqis they suspected of working with American intelligence. They have already

opposition figures, according to the Iraqi National Congress, a coalition of resistance organizations.

US State Department spokesman Glyn Davies could not confirm the Iraqi National Congress's assertion that 1,500 people had been arrested. The fate of the smaller number of resistance figures actually working with the CIA is unknown.

The Iraqi National Congress Is one of two major dissident groups receiving funds from the CIA. All told, the agency is spending about \$20 million this year to try to remove Saddam, or \$6 million

Iraqi Kurds, fearing Turkish move, flee border

BANEK, Iraq (Reuter) - Iraqi Kurdish villagers fled their remote settlements along the Turkish border on foot and in vehicles yesterday in fear of a Turkish army incursion, witnesses said.

Scores of refugees were on the move from the area around Banek, about 30 km from the majo Iraqi border town of Zakho, shuttiling their beloogings any way they could to the relative safety of valley to the south.

"Every year the Turks raid our village. They cut down our fruit trees and bomb our houses, killing our livestock," said Khane Seini as she carried personal belongings on her back down the road out-

"The Turks and [Iraqi President] Saddam ssein both... kill us when they can. We need the United States to come and save us," Seini, 70, said. with the family bedding.

Ankara has said it plans a temporary security cordon just over the border in northern Iraq - the latest measure in its bloody 12-year fight with separatist Turkish Kurdish rebels of the Kurdistan Workers Party (PKK). Turkish troops and armor have massed along the

rugged border in recent days, but so far no large-scale operation has been launched. Kurdish farmers, just ahoot to bring in the fruit and vegetable harvests, were particularly worried about the fate of their crops. However, few said

they were prepared to stay put in the face of the expected Turkish operation. I am the last of my family out of the village. We

are running because the Turks are coming," said Azad Ali, 13, as he lead a pair of donkeys.

First Kashmir local elections begin after nine years of strife

SRINAGAR, India (AP) - Squeezed by threats from Moslem rebels and from Indian soldiers, more than half the electorate defied a rebel-called boycott and voted vesterday in the first local election in nine years in strifewracked Kashmir, election offieials said. Three boys were killed in electioo violence.

Thousands of Kashmiris trekked along mountain trails and highways to vote for the first local election in nine years, but in some places people alleged that Indian soldiers had forced them to vote.

Nearly 300,000 soldiers and policemen fanned out in 26 of the 87 assembly constituency to prevent rebei attacks, and the government said it had arrested 29 people, including three top secessionist leaders who were campaigning for a poll boycott. Voting for the remaining seats will be staggered and completed this mooth.

Rebels struck at two places, killing three young boys. A 14year-old was killed in cross-fire wheo rebels fought a gun battle with soldiers in Lolab, 125 kilometers north of Srinagar. At Tujar Shrief, a village about 55 kilometers oorthwest of Srinagar, a rocket-propelled-grenade was fired by rebels, killing two boys playing in a schoolyard, officials said.

"Pakistani troops fired across the border in Kargill, forcing authorities to shift two voting stations," Jammu-Kashmir's Chief Election Commissioner Jalil Ahmed Khan told reporters. India and Pakistan have fought

two wars over Kashmir since 1948. But Pakistan's reply to Indian official's charge was oot immediately available.

The turnout was more than 50 percent, with some areas unaffected by the seven-year insurgency reporting nearly 70 percent voting,

The turnout in a parliamentary vote in May was about 50 percent,

and many reports said this was largely because soldiers had knocked on villagers' doors, and herded them to vote against their wishes. Similar accusations were made

hy some villagers yesterday near Baramulla and in Sopore towns. Villagers in Mazburgh - 45 kilometers west of the state capital, Srinagar - said soldiers waving rifles, eotered their homes and threatened them with assault if they did oot vote.

"I have no hope from these elections," said Gulshan Arah, a 24year-old woman. "These are the very soldiers who have killed my hrother-in-law."

Commanders of the heavily armed Bnrder Security Force stationed at voting centers in schools and local offices - said they were protecting voters.

Aide: Yeltsin may transfer his powers to PM Chernomyrdin - briefly

MOSCOW (AP) - President Boris Yeltsin might transfer his powers to Minister Chemomyrdin for a short period during his planned heart operation and recovery, a top aide said yester-

"If the operation of which the president spoke takes place, I do not exclude that the head of state's powers will be temporarily transferred to the prime minister, in accordance with the constitution," said Yeltsin's chief of staff, Anatoly Chubais.

According to the Russian constitution, if Yeltsin dies or is permaincapacitated, Chemomyrdin would take over, then call new elections within three

temporary transfer of power and does not say who determines whether the president is incapacitat-

Yeltsin was twice hospitalized with serious bouts of heart trouble in 1995, but he did not transfer power either time.

If such transfer of authority occurs this time, "it might be counted by hours, a day, two days," Chubais

Calls have mounted on Yeltsin to transfer his powers to Chemomyrdin since the 65-year-old president announced Thursday that he plans to undergo heart surgery at the end of September.

bypass surgery, and newspaper reports suggested his ailment might be serious enough to require double or triple bypass.

Yeltsin's ailment, the prospect of a complex and risky surgery and long recuperation raised fears of political instability in Russia and the world.

German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, who met with Yeltsin during a whirlwind visit to Moscow yesterday, raised the touchy question of who would control the "nuclear button" during Yeltsin's operation and

Speaking to reporters, Kohl refused to give any details.

The button, or actually a briefcase with computer codes for activating nying the president, according to Russian reports.

On the more immediate level of internal polities, a vacuum of authority could produce a power elash behind the Kremlin walls, likely involving Chubais, Chemomyrdin and national security chief Alexander Lebed.

All are considered rivals, although appears that Chemomyrdin and Chubais have joined forces against

Lebed endorsed the temporary power transfer idea on Friday, saying it would belp run the country to an orderly manner. Other calls came from the Communist parliament speaker, Gennady Seleznyov, and his reformist deputy Alexander

Tired pope ends demanding two-day visit to Hungary

BUDAPEST (Reuter) - Pope John farewell speech from the airport tar-Paul ended a two-day visit to Hungary yesterday that put close public scrutiny on his health. He looked fationed looked fatigued on his first trip abroad since a hospital checkup last

month. The 76-year-old pontiff, who plans a four-day trip to France later this month, flew out of Budapest's Feribegy airport after a punishing schedule here.

His trip, to mark the 1,000th anniversary of a monastery at Pannonhaima, near Gyor, in westem Hungary, was the first since hospital tests following an abdominal infection in mid-August raised renewed concern for his health. He made the last leg of his visit

from Gyor to Ferihegy by helicopter in driving rain and was escorted by the arm to his waiting plane by Hungarian President Arpad Goncz. The pope's white papal gown

and white umbrella contrasted sharply with the black rain-soaked is overcoats of Goncz and other Hungarian officials. The pope fulfilled all his engage-

mac was canceled because of the poor weather. "We didn't want to risk the

pope's bealth," a Hungarian government official said. The pope looked tired during his visit and earlier had to brave a bitingly cold wind at an open-air Mass for an estimated 130,000 people

Joaquin Navarro-Valls, the pope's chief spokesman and a doctor himself, told reporters the pope "basically... remains a healthy man" and had no plans to stop the foreign travel that has been the hallmark of

his papacy. The tests in August didn't find out the source of the infections," he said. "As a personal opinion, a bypothesis that could explain what is going on in the field of the infection is that it could be some intestinal weakness left from the first

operation in 1981." The pope survived a 1981 assassination attempt when he was shot in the abdomen in St. Peter's

Earlier the Polish-born pontiff ments during the trip although a met all . 20 members of the belonged to her.

Hungarian Bishops Conference, who said afterwards that he had appeared to be well. "He seemed to be in pretty good health and full of energy," said Istvan Seregely, archbishop of Eger.

During his two-day visit the pontiff sought to promote a post-communist spiritual revival in Eastern Енгоре.

He told the Hungarian hishops that many younger people saw no need for religion and urged the Church to eombat "eonsumerist and hedonistic society," preserve the family and fight the "culture of death" of abortion. He urged the bishops "above all [to] be defenders of human life."

During the last engagement before his departure - a meeting in Gyor Cathedral with 1,000 clergy from the Gyor diocese - the pope said the end of communism had not been a care-all for society.

There has been no lack of disillusionment," he said. "The return to religious practice has been slow. Difficulties have been placed in the way of the Church regaining the schools and institutes which

Details of his condition remain a mystery. A senior doctor said Friday ouclear weapons, is usually carried that Yeltsin will need coronary hy an officer permanently accompa-

LONDON (Renter) - One of Britain's most vinlent convicts held two fellow inmates hostage yesterday in a teose eight-hour stand-off but the drama ended without serious injury.

Prison officials said Charles Bronson, who had taken prisoners hostage before at the highsecurity Belmarsh jail in south east London, finally surrendered

and was removed to a segregation unit. Bronson, described as one of Britain's most dangerous prison-

ers, had initially taken four inmates bostage but then freed two of them.

The two remaining hostages were takeo to the prison hospital after their release, "but it is elear that they have sustained oo seri-

British convict holds inmates hostage at top-security jail injuries," OUS spokesman said

During the siege, the Prison Service said one or more of those involved were Iraqi men accused nf hijacking a Sudanese jet to London's Stansted airport last

After the stand-off ended, however, the service refused to discuss the identity of the considered.

hostages. The Iraqi men, whn are due to appear in court tomorrow, have elaimed political asylum io Britain, saying they were perseeuted while in Iraq.

Their court appearance means they will face trial and possible imprisonment in Britain before their applications for asylum are

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Clinton urges

Senate to OK

chemical

weapons pact

WASHINGTON (Reuter) - President Bill Clinton called on the US Senate yesterday to ratify a global chemical weapons ban treaty that be

said would keep poison gas out of the hands of "rogue states like Iraq."

In his weekly radio address, Clintoo said the treaty would dramatical-

ly reduce chances that US troops would face chemical weapons in bat-

tie and argued it would help keep poisonous materials out of the hands

Clinton's appeal follows the disclosure on Thursday by a presidential advisory panel that as many as 1,100 US troops were exposed to nerve gas from an Iraqi chemical weapons depot in 1991.

from the Earth and make America's citizens and soldiers much more

gas in Russia, would help keep a big potential source of chemical weapons out of the hands of terrorists, be said. Trade controls, he added,

would deny terrorists easy access to the ingredients they needed to make

nations that refuse to sign will find themselves increasingly isolated,"

The Chemical Weapons Convention was signed in January 1993, but has not yet come into force because only 60 of the required 65 countries

have ratified it. Among those yet to do so are the United States and

Russia, the world's two leading chemical weapons powers.

The treaty bans production, stockpiling and use of chemical weapons,

and it will subject private firms to inspections by an international author-

The Senate agreed in June to vote on the treaty by September 14, but

"It will make life tougher for rogue states like Iraq. Those few

By voting for this treaty, the Senate can help to banish poison gas

The destruction of stockpiles, incloding at least 40,000 tons of poison

little more than the pajamas oo

was a consolation," she said. "They can keep the clothes as a souvenir." Authorities were trying to deter-

mine what caused the fire that gutted mucb of the roof and damaged scores of rooms, Webb said. The exact extent of the damage.

from the blaze and from the water used to put it out, was being assessed. The guests were lodged at some

of the five other Disney hotels surrounding the theme park, as well as at other hotels in the surrounding area, Jan said.

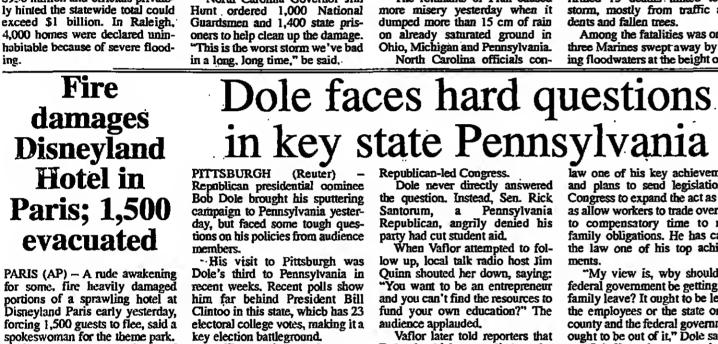
Once resettled, guests spent the day in the park as planned, she

(Continued from Page 1) He said the US has three objectives in the coming months: Keeping Israeli-Palestinian talks viable, "avoiding explosion on the Israeli-Lebanese border, and if possible, resuming Israeli-Syrian talks."

During Netanyahu's visit to Washington, he will also meet with Secretary of State Warren Christopher and Secretary of Defense William Perry.
A second US official said the

White House session follows an "important week," marked by the Netanyahu-Arafat summit and Thursday's meeting of the coun-iries donating funds for Palestinian development. (Story,

Page 2)
The Clinton-Netanyahu visit is a "coincidence," and not a reward for Netanyahu's having met with Arafat on Wednesday, the first



coast Thursday night.

North Carolina Governor Jim

Dole's third to Pennsylvania in recent weeks. Recent polls show him far behind President Bill Clintoo in this state, which has 23 electoral college votes, making it a key election battleground. Unlike previous such events where carefully selected audience

them, including two pregnant members have asked easy ques-womens, were hospitalized for flous, at a session with small busi-observation, said Disney spokes ness people Dole faced a tough question about Republican proposals for student aid reductions. Christiane Vaflor, 20, a

University of Pittsburgh senior, asked Dole about student loan provisions included in a balanced budget plan pushed by the

MD takes on

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NEW DELHI (AP) - A student

who took on the identity of a

dead man to study medicine and

later worked as a doctor for 10

years has been arrested. The

bizarre case came to light two

months ago following a tip

from a citizen in the northern

state of Punjab, unnamed police

officials told the Indian

Balwant Singh, a student of

pharmacology 21 years ago, took on the identity of Kashmir

Singh, who had been admitted

to the coveted course in medi-

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Balwant Singh graduated as

a doctor, worked as a resident

in a hospital and began prac-

ticing as a doctor in 1986 in

the state government. All

along, he called himself Kashmir Singh and oo one

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Republican-led Congress. Dole never directly answered the question. Instead, Sen. Rick Santorum, a Pennsylvania Republican, angrily denied his party had cut student aid.
When Vafior attempted to fol-

The remnants of Fran caused

more misery yesterday when it

dumped more than 15 cm of rain

on already saturated ground in

Ohio, Michigan and Pennsylvania. North Carolina officials con-

low up, local talk radio host Jim Ouinn shouted her down, saying: You want to be an entrepreneur and you can't find the resources to fund your own education?" The audience applauded. Vaflor later told reporters that

Dole should have replied to the question. "I'm putting myself through college, I've worked two jobs every semester," she com-

At the session, Dole also criti-cized a federal law letting workers take unpaid leave to care for a new child or sick family member, and he preached a message of lower taxes and less government. President Bill Clinton calls the Clinton np 50-35 percent.

and plans to send legislation to Congress to expand the act as well as allow workers to trade overtime to compensatory time to meet family obligations. He has called the law one of his top achieve-

firmed 15 deaths linked to the

storm, mostly from traffic acci-

three Marines swept away by rag-ing floodwaters at the beight of the

Among the fatalities was one of

dents and fallen trees.

Houses destroyed by Hurricane Fran are seen at North Topsail Beach, N.C., on Friday after the hurricane hit the North Carolina

'My view is, wby should the federal government be getting into family leave? It ought to be left to the employees or the state or the county and the federal government ought to be out of it," Dole said.

"I believe in compassionate leave if there is a birth or a death or there is something that happens in a family... but I again wonder about the long arm of the government," said Dole, who has long opposed the bill.

A Washington Post/ABC poll released on Friday found Clinton leading Dole 51-37 percent. A New York Times/CBS poll found

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott complained on Friday that Clinton had not provided all the information lawmakers needed to cast their a tree in 1.8 meters of water hours spacewoman breaks another record

secure," Clinton said.

CAPE CANAVERAL, Florida (Reuter) - Shannon Lucid's mission to the Russian Mir space station entered the record books yesterday as the longest space flight by a woman. It was a record Lucid was oot

storm, the Wilmington Morning

Star reported. Emergency workers

found one of the two Marines wbo

survived clutching the branches of

expecting to break. Her tour of duty aboard the orbiting outpost was supposed to have ended in early August, but shuttle booster problems, scheduling conflicts and Hurricane Fran bave delayed her ride bome by

more than six weeks. "We had not planned on this [record] happening on this mission and it was sort of a confluence of the elements of the uni-verse that it did," said former astronaut Frank Culbertson, who beads NASA's shuttle-Mir program. "I'm happy that she bas it, because I think she's done a terrif-

ic job up there." Lucid bas been aboard Mir being in space is kind of a vaca-

since March and has already shattered the record for the longest mission by a US space flyer. Her latest record breaks that set by Russian Elena Kondakova, who completed a 169-day stay aboard the station in March 1995.

Kondakova, who is oow training in Houston for a shuttle mission to the Mir station next May, offered Lucid her congratulations.

"I will only be happy for Shannoo Lucid," said the 39-year-old eogineer, "It again proves that women can work in space as long

Lucid, only the third woman to staff the Mir station; was probably enjoying her time away from the pressures of home, suggested Kondakova.

"Life is easier on board because you don't have to do laundry. there, you don't have to cook there, so I think that for a woman

This week NASA had to delay Lucid's homecoming another two days when Hurricane Fran forced shuttle Atlantis off its launch pad. The shuttle is expected to blast-off for Mir on September 16 and dock with the station a few days later.

Lucid, a veteran of four previous shuttle missions, appeared to he taking the latest setback in her

"As long as Atlantis is in good shape, then I'm in good shape," she said. "Whenever they're ready, they'll come get me."

NASA is hoping yesterday marks Lucid's last entry in the record books. She would have to stay in space another 38 weeks to break the human space flight record of 438 days set in 1995 by Russian Valeri Polyakov.

"She's been away a long time," said Culbertson. "I'm sure she's ready for the job to end."

Jewish art collector donates 113 modern teasures to his native Berlin

BERLIN (AP) - In the Berlin of 1936, Heinz Berggruen wisely perceived that Nazi Germany offered a bleak future for a young Jewish journalist

With 10 marks in his pocket, he emigrated to the United States. After studying at the University of California at Berkeley writing about art for the San Francisco Chronicle and returning to Europe as a US Army soldier, Berggruen settled in Paris.

There, he began collecting paintings by Paul Klee, Vincent Van Gogh, Paul Cezanne and Alberto Giacometti.

Now 82, Berggruen bas returned to Berlin to donate a collection of 113 modern art treasures that will remain in bis native city for the next 10 years. More than balf of the pieces are sketches, paintings and sculptures by Picasso. "Exactly 60 years later I'm back, with more

than 10 marks," Berggrueo said Friday, at the opening ceremony for the exhibit, "Picasso and "Today, a circle closes," said Berggruen,

"and I am able to fill a small museum with modern art treasures from this century." The works are housed in a newly renovated four-story building that is part of the Schloss Charlottenburg complex, not far from where Berggruen was born.

The opening was attended by more than 1,000 people, among them German President Roman Herzog, who praised Berggruen for his cultural contribution to Berlin.

"You decided to bring this collection back to Berlin of all places, when any museum in the world would have been happy to accommodate you," Herzog said. "I know bow to appreciate the symbolism of that action. Germany thanks

Herzog alluded to Germany's Nazi past. when barbaric forces considered such art to be degenerate."

That this circle is being closed by someone who was forced into exile by those same dark forces is a remarkable example of tolerance and humanity." Herzog said.

Berggruen closed another circle by eventually giving up his American citizenship for that of his native Germany. The decision was made during his sojourn in Paris, and he has explained it in interviews by saying he considers bimself an apolitical "world citizen" who is comfortable in Europe and the United States, where he has returned for extended

Berggruen's decision to move his collection from London's National Gallery to his native Berlin has been welcomed by Germans like Ralf Cremer, who lives on the same block where Berggrueo grew up.

Cremer, 29, said be understands and appreciates Berggruen's desire to return to Berlin, which enjoyed a reputation for cultural diversity and tolerance before Hitler's rise to

"Even though horrible things happened bere, his roots were bere, and I can understand that he wanted to come back here," said Cremer. who attended Friday's opening. Berggruen said the presence of bis collection

in the former capital of the Third Reich has been criticized by some American Jews. Peering through his glasses into a sea of mostly German faces, the white-haired and

wiry Berggruen said time will tell whether such criticism is warranted or not. "One of the most fulfilling times of my life

was the day that I met Picasso for the first time," Berggruen said. "I hope that in the future 1 will treasure this day as another such

Mind-reading dogs prepare a

LONDON (Reuter) - A British researcher has proved what dog owners have long suspected that their pets know when

they're coming home from work. The research showed that 46 percent of dogs started preparing to welcome their owners up to an hour before they got home, even if they worked irregular hours, the Times reported last week.

The animals usually become agitated and go to the window to watch for the owner's return.

"Some people might call this weird, but for many pet owners it is perfectly normal," said researcher Rupert Sheldrake, former director of cell biology and biochemistry at Cambridge University.

Some cats and other pets showed the same psychic bond with their owners, said Sheldrake, who collected 1,500 case studies from around the world and carried out a survey of more than 400 pet-owning households in Britain.

TALKS

Whether or not that expectation was left io the mind of the prime minister, I don't know," he said. "If the prime minister was in Washington and wanted a meeting with the president to consult on Arab-Israeli issues, he'd get

He also predicted that progress in resuming Israeli-Syrian talks would be slow and said he did oot know wbether negotiations could be resumed before the American elections or even by year's end.

Both Netanyahu and Syrian President Hafez Assad would have to come up with their own "private rationale and public explanation" for why talks would be restarted after they staked out such divergent positions on the

erritorial question, he stated.
"It would not be wise to push for a resumption only to see it

DRIVE SLOWER!

break up three days later," he said. "At the moment, I ... see as a key

priority keepiog Israeli-Palestinian talks on the rails." Another issue which may figure on the agenda of talks with senior US officials is an Israeli appeal to top Western industrialized states to provide a range of assistance to Jordan. Following last week's cri-

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Jordan's efforts to oppose Iraq. The Jordanian monarch hosted Iraqi defector Hussein Kamal, who called for the overthrow of Saddam Hussein in August 1995. Moreover, Jordan granted the US

temporary air base facilities. However, apparently due to its feeling that there is a lack of appreciation, and a belief that any US move against Iraq last week would be far short of being a decisive blow against Saddam, Jordan decided to remain on the sidelines during last week's events.

Meanwhile, after the meetings Washington, Netanyahu will fly to New York, where he will attend the 40th anniversary of the founding of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations. The group's anniversary is the ostensible reason for the premier's quick

trip to the US. In a gesture to his Lubavitch campaign supporters, Netanyahu will also visit the grave of the Lubavitcber rebbe, Rabbi Menahem Mendel Schneerson. Vice President Al Gore and Republican challenger Jack Kemp

are to meet separately with Netanyahu in New York. Both will also be atteoding the Presidents' Conference dinner. Netanyahu might also meet with Bob Dole if the Republican presidential candidate is in either of the two cities, but at minimum

the two will speak by phone, Ben-

Elissar said on Friday. Netanyahu

and Dole met in early July in New

VENICE (AP.) - Michael Collins, the story of the short, bloody life

The movie's leading man, Schindler's List star Liam Neeson, won the Volpi Cup as best actor at the 53rd annual film festival. The jury named four-year-old

for her role in Ponette, directed by Jacques Doillon. Chris Penn won best supporting actor for his role in Abel Ferrara's gangster movie The Funeral,

obsession with the death of her mother in a car accident.

Answering whistles by people in the audience critical of the cboice of Thivisol - appareotly because of her youth - jury president Roman Polanski said the selection was the panel's only unanimous one.

next time you can be on the jury,"

'Michael Collins' wins best film award at Venice festival

of an IRA founder, won the Goldeo Lion award for best film at the venerable Venice Film Festival

Victoire Thivisol as best actress

Ponette depicts a little girl's

"If you have better proposals,

Collins, which has not yet

opened, has caused controversy in Britain. Some British politicians contended the film would portray the Irish Republican Army with sympathy and suggested it could touch off more violeoce in Northern Ireland.

Director Neil Jordan, a 46-yearold Dubliner, defeoded his Collins as a complex figure capable of violence and peacemaking.

Accepting the award, Jordan

praised Warner Bros. for backing a film that "deals with difficult subjects and gives rise to arguments." "I felt that Michael Collins would be a good film, especially for Ireland," he said.

Asked later at a news conference if be thought the movie would help the peace process, he said, "I made it with this hope in mind, because of the history of my country." Collins took part in the 1916

Easter Rebellion and led the IRA against the British. He signed the 1921 treaty dividing the island between an independent south and the British-controlled Northern extremists outraged over his signing of the treaty.

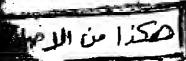
The movie features Inlia Roberts as the woman Collins and his best friend (played by Aidan Quinn) both love. Quinn accepted the award for Neeson, who he said was still bospitalized in Padova. Neeson was operated on last Monday in the nearby city for an intestinal blockage.

After the awards, Quinn and Jordan headed to the hospital to see Neeson. Jordan's other films include the

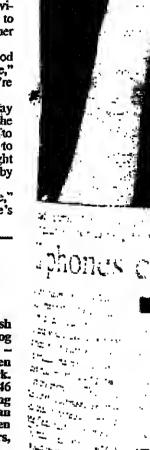
The Crying Game, Mona Lisa and Interview With the Vampire. Special awards went Georgian-born director Otal Iosseliani's Brigands and Carla's Song, by Briton Ken Loach Mexican Arturo Ripstein's Profundo Carmesi won awards for

Dark, political, weighty and mostly European movies dominated the 17 entries for best picture at the festival.





DRIVE WITH CARE!





LORRIE GRANT RALEIGH, North Carolina RAIN-swelled rivers sent deadly

floodwaters over their banks and hundreds of thousands of battered US East Coast homes remained without electricity on Saturday as

residents mopped up after

and Pennsylvania.

Most of the deaths were caused

by flash flooding and up to 37.5

cm of rain rather than Fran's gusts

of wind that reached 193 kmh when the hurricane hit late on

Powerful tidal surges crumbled buildings along beaches and winds damaged neighborhoods far

inland before Fran was downgrad-

ed on Friday to a tropical storm as

More than one millioo people in the Carolinas and Virginia

remained without power yester-

were declared major disaster areas

by US President Bill Clinton. making victims eligible for federal

assistance, although the cost of the damage will not be known for

alone was estimated at more than

\$930 million and officials private-

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Nine people complained of smoke inhalation and four of

No injuries were reported in the

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North Carolina and Virginia

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day, officials said.

Rescue officials blamed the storm for at least 21 deaths in the Carolinas, Virginia, West Virginia

Hurricane Fran.

JUDY SIEGEL-ITZKOVICH

Veteran Jerusalem orthopedist

About 80 percent of the popula-

they bend over too close to the

table and strain their back muscles.

British-born Roth and a 54-year-

old recent immigrant from New

York has produced a device meant

for exercising and resting the back

and abdominal muscles to relieve

or even eliminate back pain. Called

the Ortho Bench, it was invented

by Gedalia (Gary) Lichtenstein,

who at the age of 12 jumped back-

wards off a diving board into a swimming pool and suffered back

My parents took me to orthope-

dists in several bospitals, but none

of them was able to help me," says Licbteostein, who studied accounting and vocational guid-

Although physicians were unable

to help him, paraprofessionals who

stressed the strengthening of the

back-related muscles did, and

Lichtenstein devoted his time to

inventing a bench based on these

principles that would encourage

patients to exercise specific mus-

cles. Asking general practitioners

for a good orthopedist in Jerusalem

to consult, he was advised to see

Roth, who agreed to help him on a

"I was very skeptical at first,

because there is oo device one can

use to cure all back pain. But I

realized that Gedalia's ideas to

promote extension exercises were

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Ketogenic diet offers hope to children with epilepsy

HEN Danny and Janet Cohen, of Kibbutz Ketura, had to decide between a reject to decide betweeo a major brain operation on their two-year-old son to relieve his severe epileptic seizures or putting him through an extremely rigorous diet, they had no doubts, even though their physician was skeptical.

They went to Chicago to start Yotom on the ketogenic diet under the supervisinn of a neurologist and dietician specially trained in the procedure. The boy has been free for a year of severe seizures - which used to occur over 100 times a day - and now has only a couple of dozen minor muscle jerks daily without losing consciousness.

Now in the kibbutz kindergarten, Yotom is highly disciplined and refuses to eat anything unless he receives per-mission from his parents. The Cohens, who have two older daughters unaffected by the neurological condition, prepare Yotom's special diet daily, weighing it nut to the gram, and send the food off with him to kindergarten. They hope that io another year they will be able to gradually wean him off the diet without his severe seizures returning.

the Israeli public, is nevertheless a recognized therapy for pediatric epilepsy that does not respond to anti-convulsants and other medications. It has been offered for a few years at a number of local hospitals, including the Schneider Children's Medical Center of Israel (SCMCI) in Petah Tikva and Sheba

Hospital at Tel Hashomer. The diet is high in fat and low in protein and carbohydrates. When followed religiously, ketosis (the burning off of fat for energy) occurs. Fasting, and the ketosis that it produces, have been known, since biblical times, as beneficial for control of seizures.

In modern times, it was discovered by a scientist named Wilder in an attempt to reproduce the metabolic effects of starvation. It was used on patients with seizures during the subsequent decades, but then fell into disuse in the early Fifties, when more effective anti-convulsant medications were developed against epilepsy. It seemed that giving medications, despite side effects (including sedation, cognitive impairment, behavior changes, gum problems and liver and

blood abnormalities), was easier than to

carefully control children's diets. But not every child with severe epileptic seizures is helped by drugs, which can, themselves, be highly toxic. Those who have not may be referred for a major brain operation called the corpus callosotomy; since any brain operation is risky, it was suggested trying the keto-genic diet as a last resort before consid-

ering the scalpel. Dr. Avinoam Sbuper, a pediatric neurologist at SCMCI, underwent special training in the diet at Baltimore's Johns Hopkins University Huspital, where over 200 children have been treated with the diet under the guidance of pediatric neurologist Dr John Freeman.

Shuper brought his expertise back with him to Israel in 1990. Since then, about 10 childreo have been put on the diet, and the success rate bas been very promising. Some foreign studies have shown that 20 to 25 percent become seizure-free, and a total of half to threequarters of children can be helped considerably by the diet.

"It doesn't help all such children," Shuper stresses. "It depends partially on the age you start; the younger, the better the chance of success, and it can begin around one's first birthday. We usually give the diet a chance for two months to

see if it has effect." Doctors, however, can't predict in advance which children will benefit from the diet. One must simply try it. In many cases, some improvement can be noted within the first few days.

NO ONE, says the SCMCI neurologist, is certain how the diet works. A theory is that the ketosis affects the brain. Ketones are the products of fat breakdown, and they circulate in the blood once the patient starts the diet. The body normally burns sugar for energy and can store up to one day's supply. After a one-day's fast, all blood sugar is burned up, causing the body to start burning fat for energy. This results is ketosis, which is maintained by the diet.

Thus the young patient must ear ketogenic foods (fats) and avoid those that are

and carbohydrates). Dieticians calculate exactly what the patient may eat: about 75% of the recommended daily allowance (RDA) for a child's age. A typical meal is 55 grams of sweet cream, 28 grams of egg, a 5-gram pickle, 15 grams of strawberries, 17 grams of tomato and 5 grams of oil. For many, breakfast is not comflakes, but a shake of eggs, cream, oil, saccharine and vanilla. Shuper notes that self-discipline and parental supervision is critical, as brushing one's teeth with a toothpaste or taking an antibiotic syrup containing

sugar can defeat the purposes of the diet. Patients are generally admitted to hospital and put on a complete fast for one to three days; sometimes this is done on an out-patient basis. Then they are introduced to the severe regime of four times as much fat as protein and carbohydrates combined. Liquid intake is often restricted. It certainly isn't easy. I have heard of US parents who had to put an alarm on their refrigerator to make sure their child didn't sneak in to take forbidden food at night. Imagine how a child feels when he has to turn down a piece of birthday cake in kindergarten."

a scale and each meal pattern gives the exact number of grams of each food item. As the child's body gets used to burning fat, instead of sugar, for energy. he must be carefully monitored to ensure that he doesn't get dehydrated or suffer from hypoglycemia. Doctors give vita-min and mineral supplements as well; as the diet can temporarily retard growth and may lead to anemia if the child does not get additional iron. In addition, the child must be carefully observed to pre-vent the formation of kidney stones or the appearance of gout.

Shuper notes that in Israel, it is often hard to get the health funds' cooperation to provide lnng-term supervisinn by dieticians. The insurers need to develop awareness of the problem and the treatmeot, which requires additional funding on their part." But the diet's effects can be highly dramatic and lasting, and in the long run save the health funds the expense of anti-epilepsy drugs. The Cohen family don't have to be persuaded. Their son is bright and leading a nearly normal life thanks to the keto-

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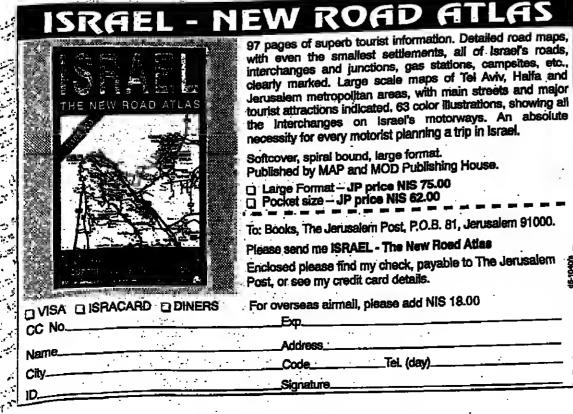
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It's no child's game: A cellular phone can affect sensitive medical equipment, so pay attention to

Cell phones can create hospital havoc

Think the claim that cellular phones' magnetic fields dis-turb medical equipment is nonsense and would like to know the real reason for barring their use in hospitals: maybe it's only to frighten visitors into using pay phones on the premises. There is so much other equipment in the hospital that generates strong magnetic fields such as computers, TV, radio, fax, etc. Surely these would interfere with each other just as strongly. Prof. M. L.,

Dr. David Adler, an engineer and director of the biomedical engineering department of Hadassah-University Hospitals in Ein Kerem and Mt. Scopus, H is present and M.

There are real reasons for restricting use of mobile communications equipment io hospitals: you are wrong that it is aimed at promoting use of public phones. Our staff conducted inteosive studies in the two bospitals, using special equipment, to determine the effects of magnetic fields from roam and cellular phones, walkie-talkies and other electronic devices on medical engineers. ins best findings, we issued selective, rather than comprehensive, restrictions on use of making We don't want to inconvenience

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patients, staffers and visitors. Patients themselves may use cellular phones but only in certain areas. The prohibition is in effect only in or near operating theaters, intensive-care units, recovery rooms and other places where very sensitive life-support equipment is functioning. The Health Ministry issued general instructions and each

institution sets the details for itself. According to our studies, portable transmitters such as those used by security personnel disturb vital equipment the most; these should not come within five meters of sensitive life-support equipment. But cellular phones do as well and must be kept at least a meter away.

Computers and TV sets emit magnetic fields from the back, but the effects are negligible within short distances from them; faxes and radios emit very little. However, since these devices stay in one place, one can arrange them so they do oot get too close to vital equipment or interfere with each other. Cellular phones, by their very nature, can go anywhere. Thus we have signs barring use of telecommunications devices in certain areas, and the nurses enforce the rules.

By the way, airlines instruct passengers oot to use cellular phones and laptop computers during flights because they can interfere with the automatic pilot and other sensitive devices. In the past, such use has caused near-accidents.

Can cracking ice in your mouth harm your teeth? G.B., Kiryat

Prof. H. S.-C. of the Hebrew University-Hadassah School of Dental Medicine comments:

Tecth are meant solely for chewing food - not for opening bottle caps, cracking walnuts or cracking ice. Dentists often have to repair damage to teeth in patients who used teeth instead of tools. Tooth enamel is the hardest substance in the body, but it shouldn't be abused.

Rx For Readers welcomes queries from readers about medical problems. Experts will answer those we find most interesting, and replies will be printed in the twice-monthly column on the Health Page.Write Rx For Readers, clo Judy Siegel-Itzkovich, The Jerusalem Post, POB 81, Jerusalem 91000, fax it to 02-5389527 or e-mail it to jusie@jpost.co.il, giving your initials, age and place of residence. Phoned-in queries will not be

that aching back THE back of the NIS 200 bill shnnld be marked: "This may be dangerous to your back is bent over the table and her nose is only a few ceotimeters

a 90-degree angle to the hips and lower legs at a 90-degree angle to the thighs) is the best way to rest the back." Roth notes.

Daily exercise for

"I also suggested that they put a very large pillow under the back of their knees, but a suitable size was oot easy to find."

COMBINING Lichtenstein's mechanical taleots with Roth's orthopedic expertise, the two developed the Ortho Bench, which now has a worldwide patent pending. Comprising a 60-centimeterwide cushioned top, an extendable two-arm frame and a strap to hold the legs, it is manufactured in Jerusalem's Beit Yisrael quarter from heavy-duty steel so that it

won't topple over. en two of the a cushioned bar and metal grip for resting the knees at a proper angle or holding the legs during back exercises. Licbtenstein demonstrates one of the most effective workouts: he lies on his stomach, his waist reaching the end of the bench and his legs tucked into a strap that holds them in place. Then he lowers his head and chest to the floor several times a minute.

"The Ortho Bench is oot a gimmick to be sold in sports-supply stores. It is available only after patients undergo a comprehensive examination and diagnosis by an orthopedist, and the exercises and the actual measurements of the device must be customized to the patient's particular problem," Roth stresses.

He is currently training fellow Jerusalem orthopedists in the use of the Ortho Bench and has launched clinical trials here as well as in Hungary. Israelis with back problems are invited to participate in the local clinical trials. Roth has used the device successfully on some of his patients.

'Although its effectiveness hasn't yet been proven by clinical trials. I don't hesitate to prescribe it to certain patients, as it is non-invasive and based on the principles I have always used in recommending back exercises," Roth explains.

"People with back problems have to exercise daily. If they give up quickly, it will be of no use. Many people think their back problem is due to breakdown of

A schoolgirl's bad posture adorns the back of a NIS 200 bill.

spinal disks, but this is true only in a minority of cases. The most common reason is that the back and abdominal muscles are not strong enough to keep the spine in the proper position."

Back pain can be eased with a variety of non-conventional treatments, including Alexander and Feldenkreis techniques, acupunc-ture, reflexology, shiatsu and chiropractic. But Roth is adamant that patients should seek these out only after an orthopedic specialist carries out a full examination and diagnosis of his condition. There are over 150 different types of backache. Going to a physician who himself has studied some of these techniques is the best het, he adds.

There isn't enough of an emphaback pain, especially in the Israel Defense Forces, says Roth. "I saw in the army that soldiers complaining of back pain would be given a few muscle-relaxant pills and told to go back to work. Instead they should be prescribed rest, and then exercise in the recovery and rehabilitation stages."

If overweight is a contributory factor, it should be dealt with as well. The bench is not meant for the minority of patients suffering from neurological conditions as well as back pain. In addition, patients over 60 must be very carefully handled - as heart disease, rheumatic disorders and osteoporosis could affect treatment for back pain. Bnt even these, says Roth, could be helped by exercising under a doctor's supervision using the Ortho Bench.

Licbtenstein is selling the bench for NIS 400 to NIS 1,200, depending on the material from which it's made, features (such as the ability to fold up compactly) and materials (the more expensive ones make it look like a fashionable piece of furniture). Unfortunately, the health funds do not subsidize the sale of such equipment, even though it is prescribed by a doctor and oeeded for medical treatment. Anyone who wants to apply for

participation in clinical trials or wants a list of orthopedists who can prescribe the Ortho Bencb contact Lichtenstein at (02) 532-4175 or fax him at (02) 532-5008.

The risks of aspirin

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ARGE numbers of Russian immigrant children are being given aspirin instead of paracetamol by their parents for fever reduction and pain - even though aspirin can cause Reye's syndrome and possible severe liver damage, wasting of fat in the internal organs and harm to the tissue covering the brain. This is reported by Dr. Liubov Ben-Noun, of the department of family medicine at Ben-Gurioo University's health sciences faculty.

Writing in Harefuah a publication of the Israel Medical Association, the Russian-born doctor surveyed 209 children wbo arrived from the CIS between 1991 and 1995 and have been treated in community health-fund

Wheo they lived in Russia, three-quarters of the parents gave their children aspirin, as this was the accepted drug for fever and pain, and pharmacology books didn't even mention the possible risk of aspirin to children. Many of the immigrants brought aspirin with them and continued to give them this drug here.

Ben-Noun notes that during his study, not a single case of Reye's syndrome was reported in the Beersheba area; it is regarded as rare. But even so, since aspirin is freely available over the counter in be alert and impress upon parents that paracetamol is preferable to aspirin for children.

The syndrome was first described by Dr. R.D.K. Reye in 1963, and is often fatal. If affects youngsters up to the age of 18, but is more common in those aged five to 15. There are one to 2.5 cases per 100,000 cbildren. Whether a child is affected depends on genetic, environmental and other factors, including whether they previously suffered from viral diseases such as influenza and chicken pox.

WELL-DONE EMERGENCIES Most of the public are happy with the way government hospital emergency rooms function. according to a survey broadcast recently on Knl Yisrael.

According to the poll, 86.2 percent of those who went to an emergency room during the past six months felt they were in good bands. Health Minister Tzahi Hanegbi expressed satisfaction with the results of the poll, conducted by Sbvakim-Panorama, despite budgetary pressures in the health system.

The average rating given to the medical staff for their profession-alism was 8 out of 10; for the queue 6.8; the ourses' attitudes towards the patient 7.8; and the doctors' attitudes towards the patient 8.5. The average general rating of emergency rooms was 8.1. The hospitals received the highest ratings of five government institutions surveyed so far. the Interior Ministry, the Licensing Bureau, the Employment Service and the Executioo Office.

SIDS & SMOKING

Parents who smoke are responsible for 60 percent of the suddeninfant-death-syndrome (SIDS, or cot death) cases in Britain, according to a recent study published in the British Medical Journal. The article said the majority of cot deaths could be prevented if pregnant womeo and their babies weren't exposed to smoke.

The two-year retrospective study at the Royal Hospital for Sick Childreo in Bristol questioned the pareots of 195 babies who died of SIDS, and compared the adults' habits with those whose children were healthy. Sixty-two percent of the women whose babies died were smokers, compared to only 25 perceot of those whose babies lived. Fathers' smoking was also an important factor in SIDS, the researchers

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Count Us in - An incredible story of a grassroots crusade to free Soviet Jewry, involving large numbers of volunteers, Jews and non-Jews. Told by Wendy Eisen, herself a distinguished campaigner, it takes us behind the scenes to strategy meetings, to the streets where demonstrators in their thousands marched in support of the campaign, to the Soviet Union where visiting Canadians confronted brutal Soviet authorities, while making contact with beleagured refuseniks. Foreword by Martin Gilbert. Hardcover, 334 pp. JP Special Price: NIS 89 plus NIS 9 p & h in Israel

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With some reservations about

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would argue that these once-

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begun to be fulfilled, and that

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Dissent without threats

provide him with some relaxation, given the stormy session of the Likud central committee last week. The public was treated to the spectacle of the prime minister threatening to fire ministers who opposed the government line. and retorts from ministers Begin and Sharon almost daring bim to do so.

While it is fruitless and antidemocratic to attempt to quash all dissent within a political party, it is reasonable to demand some level of acquiescence, if not support, for basic government policies from government ministers. The prime minister and bis supporters rightfully state that the meeting with Yasser Arafat is an inevitable component of the government's commitment to abide by signed agreements and to continue the peace process.

As the Palestinians suffering under the thug-gery of Arafat's numerous security services are discovering, the Palestinians' leadership is far from ideal, either for them or for Israel. Before Oslo, it was perhaps possible to imagine an alternative Palestinian leadership that would have been more democratic, more moderate, and more representative of local Palestinian interests. But the opportunity for that is gone, at

While it might he valid to claim that Netanyahu could have extracted more concessions from the Palestinians before meeting with Arafat, the dissenting ministers bave not pre-sented any alternative to meeting with the Palestinian Authority head at some point. Are they suggesting that Israel should not negotiate with the Palestinians, or that it is possible to negotiate with the Palestinians without speaking directly with Arafat? Either suggestion seems removed from reality, whether one likes that reality or not.

The most important point Netanyahu made in response to his critics on the right is that the Oslo process left all the major elements of the

PRIME Minister Binyamin Netanyahu's conflict to be negotiated in the future – in other words, that the meeting with Arafat simply recognized who Israel must negotiate with, while leaving the nature of a final-status agreement

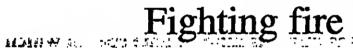
On that score, he clearly rejected the idea of a Palestinian state, while showing that there really is not much difference between the former government's nascent concept of a Palestinian "state" with severely truncated sovereignty and bis own concept of maximum autonomy consistent with Israel's security

But the prime minister, while insisting on discipline, should not ignore the message of his party's right wing, even if it should have been delivered in a less confrontational fashion. That message is that Israel must not forget. and must continue to assert its moral, legal, and bistoric claims to Judea and Samaria.

There is a world of difference between an Israel that acts as if it were an illegal occupier negotiating merely over security requirements, and an Israel that unapologetically asserts its rock-solid claims to territory, some of which it might be willing to concede for the sake of

Both the Palestinians and the Right understand that if Israel is simply the "occupier" of Judea and Samaria, then it is simply the "occupier" of Tel Aviv, as well. If Gush Etzion is "Arab" territory, why not Herzliya? What the Right should also understand, however, is that the fact that Israel bas a rightful claim to territory does not invalidate territorial compromise as a means to achieving lasting peace with its

neighbors. The Likud's ideological wing has as much right as any other sector to speak out on issues affecting the future of the nation. In the end, bowever, the government should be allowed to move forward in a way that reflects the mandate of the voters, without facing constant threats of resignations and other forms of intimidation from its own ministers.



HE investigation into Friday's fire in : Fire Service's budget to buy new equipment and the Jerusalem Corridor should not take 'improve existing facilities, and some 70 new too long. The fundamental question factoo long. The fundamental question facing the investigators is whether the findings of the Lapidot Commission, which investigated last year's Jerusalem Corridor blaze, have been implemented, and it not, why not.

The scenes of this weekend's fire were reminiscent of last year's borrific destruction of 20,000 dunams of natural forest. So too was the sight of too few firefighters and equipment attempting to tackle the conflagration.

According to the Lapidot Commission's report, Israel's Fire Service is "very far from satisfactory" and is "not equipped to bandle large and extensive fires." The report found that the country has only a quarter to a third the number of firefighters that it needs. Moreover, the report said, the Fire Service lacks sufficient fire-fighting equipment, in some places the equipment it does bave is outdated, and that in general, the service is not properly prepared to deal with forest fires.

Since the report was presented to and accepted by the Interior Ministry in November of last year, some NIS 20 million bas been added to the

FREEDOM OF RELIGION

Sir, - I am pleased that Yasser

Arafat has brought the Temple

Mount in Jerusalem to the world's

attention as one of the religious sites

in the city of Jerusalem where be

of the bulwarks of American democ-

racy, I am sure that all Americans,

from President Clinton down, would

be appalled to hear about the treat-

ment that I received at the hands of

the Moslem authorities in charge of

the Temple Mount on my few visits

If I understand correctly, the

Temple Mount is the third most im-

portant religious site in Islam, after Mecca and Medina. Despite this

fact, the Moslem authorities allow

Jews to visit the Temple Mount only

during a very small window of the

day, never more than 90 minutes.

Worse than that, the Moslem au-

thorities do not allow the Jews to

pray on the Temple Mount, or even

to read from the Book of Psalms.

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placed on Moslems who wish to

visit the Temple Mount. Wherever I

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within a few feet of me, intimidating

me every step of the way. 1, as any

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I look forward to Arafat's imme-

diate condemnation and elimination

of this intimidating behavior to con-

firm that be appreciates the freedom

of religion that we Americans take

for granted, and that equal access to

the religious sites is an integral part

of his political program. Otherwise,

no American would accept that he

has any rights to any political posi-

tion east or west of the Jordan River.

Jerusalem (Boston).

JOEL ROBINSON

gious freedom unacceptable.

This is in total contrast to the

to this holy site.

Since freedom of religion is one

believes that he has influence.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Throwing money at a problem, however, does not always solve it. Aside from the personnel shortages, which cannot be immediately over-come – a would-be firefighter spends a year of hands-on training at a fire station before attending the basic fire-fighting course at the Fire and Rescue School in Rishon LeZion - the Lapidot Commission also criticized the Fire Service's organization, methodology and deployment.

It is clear that the best way to fight forest fires is from the air, with belicopters and planes dousing water on the fire below. Even with its new trucks, as Deputy National Fire Chief Sbimon Ben-Ner pointed out, the firefighters were unable to reach fires in the middle of the forest. Accordingly, army helicopters were called on to drop water and chemicals on the blaze, but questions remain as to whether they were summoned as quickly as they should bave been. Large question marks also remain as to whether, given the experience of last year's fire, the Jerusalem-area fire department utilized wbatever resources they bave in the best possi-

THE WAR OF THE

Sir. - The refusal of the Arabs to MESSIAHS bonor Arafat's call to come to Friday prayers in their masses, followed by an even greater fiasco at Christian services in Jerusalem on Sunday, may very well be watershed events. For while the Arabs of the West Bank were barred from Jerusalem. Israeli Arabs and Jerusalemites had unrestricted access. On a regular Friday, there are many chartered buses bringing Arabs from around If anyone is engaging in an "in-tense state of denial," as Rabbi Israel to Jerusalem. On August 30, they voted against Arafat with their

I asked Sa'eb Erekat about it and be admitted that he was disappointed with the Israeli Arabs. Kfar Sava. DR. AARON LERNER

feet and stayed home. Jerusalem Ar-

abs stayed home even after the poor

turnout was public knowledge and

the weekly sermon was delayed an

hour in the hopes that more would

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THE TEL AVIV-JERUSA-**LEM HIGHWAY**

Sir. - As a regular driver from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem. I am amazed by the number of heavy lorries crawling up to the capita! at peak nimes, effectively reducing large sections of this already inadequate road to just one lane.

Could some law not be introduced whereby such slow-moving vehicles can only use this route during offpeak times, such as the middle of the night? Whilst I appreciate that commercial considerations often make this impossible (and who would enforce it? - the police on one of the busiest roads in the country are noticeable by their absence), the situalion and potential danger are surely going to get much worse before the

get any better. JONATHAN GOLDMAN

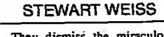
- I refer to Marilyn Henry's

article of August 30, 'The war of the messiahs heats up.' I think Rabbi Butman put it best when he called this an "old story." While the internal debate within Habad regarding whether or not to publicly say that the Lubavitcher Rebbe is the moshiach cannot be denied, the crux of the issue remains unchanged.

Posner states, h is those theologians such as Messrs. Berger and Nadler whose lack of familiarity with various Torah sources on the subject set off within them warning bells hlaring "Jewish Messianic Christian-That is where Rabbi Soloveitchik came in. Granted, he did not categorically endorse the belief that the Rebbe is moshiach. However, he did invalidate out-of-hand the asssertion that such a belief is un-Jewish and without firm basis in Hala-

cha and Torah tradition. Regrettably, there are some within the ranks of Habad determined to fight the moshiach publicity-identity campaign tooth and nail to the point of even refuting and denying the Rebbe's own words and actions on the subject. As to Ms. Henry's figure that people who support coming out and saying the Rebbe is moshiach amounts to 20% of the hassidim, it sounds to me that she has been speaking to some of Shimon Peres's pollsters. Here in Israel, at least, if anything, the exact opposite

is true. In the words of the Rebbe upon his accession to the leadership of Habad, may we soon "seek and be together with the Rebbe, down here in a physical body and within our reach, and he will redeem us." MICHOEL DOBRI



Kooks and Waiters

WHO'S BEEN TWISTING YOUR

ARM? ARAFAT OR THE LIKUD

CENTRAL COMMITTEE?

They dismiss the miraculous rebirth of Israel and the Jewish people's return to its ancient bomeland as a freak of history nnrelated to God's guiding hand.

The real age of miracles, they proclaim, can only occur after the messiah comes, and not before. What we're seeing now is an illusion, a facade sent to test our faith and not the real

A friend of mine who is a tour guide told me about a group of observant Jews from South America he recently guided on a

Do we really desire the coming of the messiah? The answer isn't clear

visit here. At the end of their stay, he innocently asked, "Nu, friends, when are you coming bere to live?"

One member of the group politely answered for the rest. We are waiting for Moshiach," be said. "When be comes, we'll come, too."

My friend smiled and drew them into a circle. In a husbed voice he told the group, "I bave capital reclaimed, they will say, a secret to share with you, my good friends. When Moshiach comes, we won't need you! Now is the time for you to accomplish something extraordinary, to help bring Mashiach to the world.

"So quit waiting - come now!"

NO ONE in Israel or outside it and especially no one who drives a car here - would argue that this country is a perfect place, that it couldn't use some improvements of messianic proportions in a whole variety of

But this is the real question: Will we arrive at that mystical mountaintop by just waiting for those miracles we so want to happen, or can we help the hand of history to create them? In other words, do we sit back.

or do we make it happen? Any Torah scholar will tell you that biblical miracles, while they clearly emanated from God, always included a heavy dose of burnan participa-

The Red Sea, for example, didn't split until one Jew took his courage in both hands and jumped into the water, thus demonstrating his faith that the miracle would occur.

The story is told of a pious Jew from Europe who came to Palestine shortly after World War I and demanded an audience with Rabbi Abraham Isaac Kook, our first Ashkenazi chief

Ushered into the chief rabbi's office, the man proceeded to beraie him about the woeful state of religious affairs in the Holy Land and sharply criticized him for being part of the "treife medine," for being associated with a Jewish establishment that wasn't fully run according to

Torab principles.

Rabt cook was not one to be bullied. He stood up and stared the man down.

"Had you come here as I did, he told the European Jew, and brought along hundreds of thousands like yourself, and bad you started to build this country, today you would have precisely the kind of Israel you desire. "But you didn't come. You

stayed bome and waited for other Jews to come and do the work. Israel reflects the values of its huilders, and now it must struggle that much harder to find its religious character." "I prefer to be a part, not apart,

from the struggle." Kook concluded. "So don't come and complain, come and build!"

In the kitchen of life, Kooks may not always outnumber Waiters, but they will always outrank them.

Those who believe that sitting and waiting in a far-off land is the best way to advance the cause of Judaism and usber in the messianic age might do well to reflect on the Rabbi Kooks in our history - and those who follow in their footsteps today who labored mightily to pry open the gates of redemption, so that when the messiah finally arrives he will have no trouble getting in.

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Strong leader

URI AVNERY

week before the sum meeting between Prime Binyamin Minister Netanyahu and Yasser Arafat, the Palestinian Authority chairman met with 50 leading journalists from Israel. I had initiated this meeting out of growing fear that Palestinian rage could not be contained much longer. I wanted the shapers of Israeli public opinion to get a face-to-face impression of . the man:

In the course of the discussion, a reporter asked Arafat if he was depressed by the way things seemed to be going. "Never," he responded. "Ask Uri Avnery if I was depressed in Beirut."

When I first met the Palestinian leader in besieged Beirut, he was certain that his days were num-bered. The IDF was planning a final assault on his encampment, and it was common knowledge that Ariel Sharon was determined to have him killed the moment he was captured.

But Arafat was at his best -cheery, full of ideas, exuding selfconfidence. He survived impossible conditions for 81 days, and in the end he managed to extricate his entire army with honor.

On the eve of Israeli elections, Arafat and I had occasion to speak of Shimon Peres. "What sets you apart from him," I told-Arafat, "is that the more conditions deteriorate, the better you

It is easy to misjudge. Yasser-Arafat. His outward appearance is -quite misleading. It is tempting totreat the man with ridicule, but many have learned over the years that this is a dangerous error -Now, Netanyahu and his associates are being schooled in this basic fact.

Netanyahu's government, with the arrogance of utter ignorance, has engaged in daily humiliations of Arafat and the Palestinians Hebron, the unceasing closure, destroying the social center in the heart of the Moslem Quarter, refusing to let Arafat fly his helicopter from Gaza to Ramallah, humiliating Arafat's ministers

Arafat is no Levy. He won't throw-a-temper tantrum and stop the peace talks iust because of insults

and members of parliament at IDF checkpoints, halting the final-status negotiations, renewing large-scale settlement activity. All of this reinforces the Palestinians' sense that the accords with Israel mean noth-

ing. Meanwhile, the rest of the world wonders: what could the point be? Why does the government of Israel do everything to numiliate its only partner in the peace

NETANYAHU'S intentions have been based on two false assumptions: first, that the more Arafat is weakened, the more he will have to succumb to our demands; and second, that if we do manage to provoke him, he will get angry, break off the negotiations, and we will get out of the Oslo Accords without any of the blame.

But Arafat is no David Levy. He won't throw a temper tantrum and proclaim the discontinuation of the peace talks just because of insults or humiliations. However, neither will he merely be Netanyahu's servant.

If the situation does deteriorate into a second intifada, it will not be directed against Arafat, as current wisdom would have it. On the contrary, Arafat will take up its belm, leading and directing it If that were to happen, Arafat would once again be at his best.

The Palestinian leader has not been "weakened," as commentators write daily. Certainly there is a plethora of Palestinian criticism directed against him, much of it justified; but not one of his critics would ever dream of seeing him replaced.

Arafat is the universally acknowledged leader of the Palestinian people. He is a man of considerable virtues and considerable shortcomings. Those who know him well recognize both But no one can create a national movement out of thin air, lead it through 35 years of crisis, command an "armed struggle," head complex government, survive dozens of assassination attempts and create a state-in-the-making under ghastly conditions, will to allow amateurs like Netanyaha

and Gold to lead him by the nose Wednesday's historic meeting between Netanyahu and Arafa offers hope that our prime minister may finally be getting the

The writer heads Peace Bloc-



When a three-year-old boy fell into the primate exhibit at the zoo in Brookfield, Illinois, everyone froze in horror. But the boy, who plunged 5.5 meters onto a concrete floor, was saved when one of the seven gorillas in the cage lifted him, cradled him, and, keeping the other apes away, gently placed him by a door for the paramedics to tend to him. The eight-year-old female gorilla, named Binti Jua, is credited with saving the life of the boy, who suffered critical bead injuries but recovered quickly in hospital and was released four days later.

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Casey closed

92 pro-life debate surfaces in '96

By Michael Crowley

ll summer long, the story of former Pennsylvania Governor Bob Casey has danced around the outskirts of the presidential campaign. You'll recall that Casey, a Democrat, was denied a speaking slot at his party's 1992 convention, allegedly, as The New York Times reported as recently as Aug. 25, "because of his opposition to abortion tights." Now, as both parties bid up the stakes in the tolerance wars, the GOP has been using the purported muzzling of Casey to bludgeon the Democrats — and getting a free pass from the news media. "This is not like the Democratic convention in 1992, where the Democratic governot of Pennsylvania, one of the biggest states in the nation, was prevented from speaking because he's pro-life," Republican National Committee Chairman Haley Barbour said of his party's tightly controlled show in San Diego.

Since leaving office in 1995, Casey himself has rehearsed the tale ad nauseam. "The raging national debate about tolerance on the issue of abortion was ignited," Casey wrote in the Aug. 23 Wall Street Journal, when "the party denied me... the right to speak because I am pro-life and planned to say so from the podium." In Chicago, Casey delivered an impassioned prolife speech Monday, railing against his party's imposed conformity.

But the story is not so simple. According to those who actually doled out the 1992 convention speaking slots, Casey was denied a turn for one simple reason: his refusal to endorse the Clinron-Gore ticket. "It's just not factual!" stammers James Carville, apoplectic over Casey's claims. "You'd have to be idiotic to give a speaking role to a person who hadn't even endorsed you." "Why are you doing this to me?" moans Paul Begala, who, with Carville, managed two Casey campaigns before joining Clinton's team in 1992. "I love Bob Casey, but my understanding was that the dispute was not about his right-tolife views, it was about the Clinton-Gore ticket."

The man best able to explain the decision was the late Ron Brown. He addressed the topic during a roundtable discussion of Clinton carapaign, veterans. He explained: "We decided the convention would be totally geared towards the general electioo campaign, towards promoting our nominee and that everybody who had the microphone would have endorsed our nominee.

Jesse Jackson to Jerry Brown.... The press report- were both allowed to speak. Theirs, however, ed incorrectly that Casey was denied access to the microphone because he was not pto-choice. He was denied access to the microphone because he had not endorsed Bill Clinton. I believe that Gov. Casey knew that. I had made it clear to everybody. And yet it still got played as if it had to do with some ideological split. It had nothing to do

'The press reported incorrectly that Casey was denied access to the microphone because he was not prochoice. He was denied access to the microphone because he had not endorsed Bill Clinton. I believe that Gov. Casey knew that. I had made it clear to everybody. And yet it still got played as if it had to do with some ideological split. It had nothing to do with that.'

-Ron Brown

Indeed, the more one examines the version offered by the Democratic hacks, the more compelling it seems. Casey's claims to a speaking slot were tenuous from the outset. He was about to retire from politics, and convection speeches are usually allotted to those running for re-election. "It wasn't like he was going to be on there and they said, 'Well, you're off oow,' or something," Carville says. Besides, Casey repeatedly bashed Clinton during the primaries, calling Clintoo's success "very tragic." Less than three months before the '92 convention, he urged, "Coovention rules provide for the selection of an alternative candidate. Let's pick a winnet." Why would Clinton invite him to speak?

Casey doesn't dispure that he refused to endorse Clintoo. Instead, be ootes that Jerry

That was a rule, everybody understood it, from Brown and his sister, Kathleen, also did oot, yet were special cases: Jerry Brown had won a few hundred delegates in the primaries, and under convention rules was allowed to speak because his name was placed in nomination. Kathleen Brown, then a candidate for governor of California, was one of the party's highest-ptofile women (and, though she didn't endorse Clinton, she didn't endorse het own brother, either). Even a reluctant Jesse Jackson was coaxed into backing Clinton in exchange for his speaking slot. Furthermore, a slew of pro-life Democrats, including Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley, Sens. John Breaux and Howell Heflin, and five governors, did address the delegates in 1992. Though the speakers didn't dwell on abortion, party officials say they would have been free to mention the issue.

Casey, for his part, offers little evidence for his version beyond his unswayable conviction that the party is out to get him. "I'm sure they were chagrined that I didn't endorse the ticket," he says. "But the overriding reason was that I was going ro go up there and make the pro-life case." As he tells it, on July 2, 1992, he wrote ro Ron Brown, then the party chairman, and on July 13 ro Ann Richards, the chairwoman of the delegation, asking to give a pro-life speech at the convention. He never heard from either one.

Casey also sought to speak against the platform when it was presented for a vote. This wouldn't have entailed a prime-time speech. But in response all he received was a copy of a letter sent by the conventioo's general counsel to its parliamentarian, explaining that, according to platform committee rules, his request was "out of order." Casey found the perfunctory dismissal demeaning. He calls it "the kind of letter they might have sent Lyndon LaRouche."

Casey's claim that he fell victim to an orchestrated campaign to silence his pro-life views has never been proven and doesn't appear likely based on the available evidence. Its currency stems mostly from his indefatigable promulgation of it. Yet the media have accepted the story at face value. At the very least they should be aware that, in so doing, they are playing into Casey's — and the Republicans' — hands.

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Extremists endanger life of a great jurist

By ALAN DERSHOWITZ

ess than a year after the assassination of Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin - by a Jewish student stimulated by ambiguous demands for Rabin's death by some ultra-Orthodox fanatics there is a danger of recurrence. This time the target is the president of Israel's Supreme Court, Professor Aharon Barak, one of the world's most respected jurists. Professor Barak - who has taught at the law schools of Harvard, Yale, New York University, Michigan and Hebrew University - is the recipient of the Israel Prize for his many scholarly books. Before becoming a justice of Israel's Supreme Court, Barak was the attorney general of Israel, and before that, the dean of the Hebrew University Law School and a consultant ro the Unired Nations.

Professor Barak's "crime" is that the Israeli Supreme Court, over which he presides, recently ruled that a major Jerusalem thoroughfare, which borders an ultra-Orthodox neighborhood, should not be closed on the lewish Sabbath, pending further proceedings. He also has ruled in favor of the rights of Reform and Conservaove Jews and against the monopoly on religion claimed by the Orthodox minority in Israel. Some fanatics, who represent a tiny fraction of Israel's religiously diverse population, believe thar Israel should become a theocracy, governed by God's law, as they define it. The vast majority of Israelis disagree. They want the Jewish state to remain essentially secular, with freedom of religion — and irreligion — for all. The Israeli Supreme Court, much like its American counterpart, bas generally sided with those who would keep church, synagogue and mosque separate from the state. These rulings bave led some ayatollahs of ultra-Orthodox Jewish fundamentalism to brand Barak a "dangetous enemy" of Orthodox Jews. Most Orthodox Jews do not, of course, so regard this great Jewish jurist, but some ultra-Orthodox fanatics claim to speak for all devout Jews. They have plastered their neighborhoods with hateful anti-Barak posters and have circulated an article proclaiming Barak to be "a dangetous enemy" of "the Orthodox public,"

It was just this kind of hate speech which stimulated Yigal Amir to believe that it" was his religious duty to strike down another 'dangerous enemy,' namely, Prime Minister Rabin.

It was just this kind of hate speech which stimulated Yigal Amir to believe that it was his religious duty to strike down another "dangetous enemy," namely, Prime Minister Rabin. Some ultra-Orthodox fundamentalists believe that they must follow the orders of their rabbis, regardless of whether the orders would violate secular law.

Although everyone should be free to criticize the courts, the phrase "dangerous enemy" is something of a code-word in the post-Rabin-assassination era. Several ultra-Orthodox rabbis had declared Rabin to be a "dangerous enemy," thus invoking an alleged religious rule of collective self-defense, which justifies the killing of such enemies. All responsible Jewish scholars reject this perverse interpretation of Jewish law, which would — in effect — give every fundamentalist rabbi the power to decide who is a "dangerous enemy" deserving of preventive assassination. There are, bowever, some who claim that power in the name of their God. All that is required is one zealot, who interprets the attacks oo Barak as a religious invitation to his assassination.

It is not surprising, therefore, that a respected legal commentator for Israel Radio has said that the campaign against Barak "has all the signs of the incirement and bloodlust" that appeared a year ago

When I was in Israel several weeks ago, I had lunch with Justice Barak, whom I have known for more than 30 years. This time, the mild-mannered scholar was accompanied by a bodyguard. It pained me to see this man, who had survived the Nazi Holocaust by being hidden in a wall, needing to be protected against Jews! But it is a sign of the times. The greatest enemy of democracy and freedom in today's world are religious fundamentalists, who believe that they have the right ro enforce what they believe is their God's commands. There is no real difference between an Islamic fundamentalist who issues a death warrant against Salman Rushdie, a Christian fundamentalist who calls for the killing of abortion doctors and a Jewish fundamentalist who calls for the assassination of a prime minister seeking a controversial peace or a Supreme Court justice issuing a controversial judicial ruling.

The irony is that Justice Barak has ruled in favot of the most expansive freedom of speech. He would, almost certainly, defend the right of ultra-Orthodox extremists to call him a "dangerous enemy." But just because an extremist may have "the right" to make an irresponsible statement does not make it "right." Neo-Nazis may have the right to parade in Skokie, Ill., but that did not make it right for them to do so. The dangerous attacks on the president of the Israel Supreme Court should be universally coodemned, especially by responsible Orthodox rabbis, and Aharon Barak must be protected against those fanatics who erroneously believe that it would be permissible under Jewish law to do violence to this great man.

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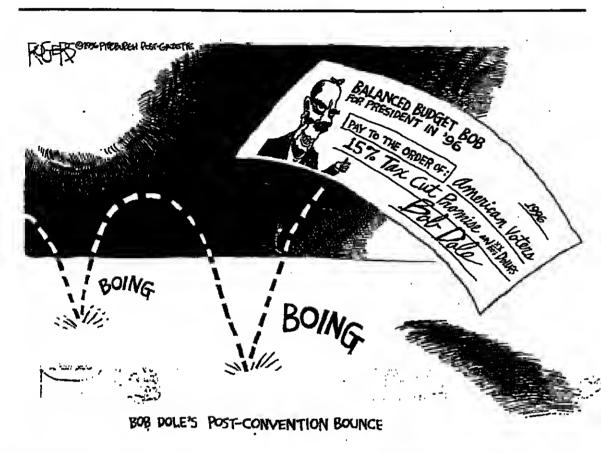
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Opportunism, not principles, is what counts in politics

By MICHAEL WALZER

olitical opportunism is an odd vice. We commonly abhor it in our friends but welcome it in our apponents. Visiting Israel this past summer, I found the country's left holding its collective breath and hoping that Benjamin Neranyahu is nor a man of principle. Let him take stock of the situation, my friends said, consult Israel's security experts and its generals, its economists and businessmen. And then let him give up his commitment in Greater Israel for the sake of greater prosperity, the American alliance, an entree to European markets, secure relations with Egypt, the lesser evil of Yasir Arafat and so on. Some who voted for him welcome exactly this surrender - voters are nften cynicalsmart - but many others will feel betrayed if it comes. They will call "Bibi" an opportunist. I long to hear the word.

When confronted with people whose political principles we find immoral and obnoxious, we suddenly discover the virtue of pragmatism. Don't you see the electoral opportunity? I would say to Netanyahu (if he asked me). If you can advance the peace process from the far right, Likud will hold power for years to come — and you will, too. I would trade potential right-wing victories in the future for a little opportunistic decency here and now.

On the other hand, when

U.S. President Bill Clinton promised to sign the Republican welfare bill. I was among those who felt betrayed. Doesn't the man have any principles? It's probably true that welfare reform was given such a central role in Clinton's 1992 campaign only because it scored so well with the focus groups organized by his staff. Indeed, no line was greeted with greatet enthusiasm throughout the months of speechmaking than his pledge "to end welfare as we know it." So opportunism was the starting point. But, once elected, Clinton put Donna Shalala in charge of Health and Human Services, and she brought good people (David Ellwood, Mary Jo Bane) to work on the reform prngram. Their proposals were certainly principled enough (thar's why they got nawhere palitically). They recognized that serious reform would cost serious money in the short run, whatever its long-term fiscal benefits. "Wnrkfare" wasn'r possible, at least it wasn't morally possible, withour jubs, job training,

child care and more.

The bill that Clinton has now signed provides little money for these things, and therefore it iso'r a reform of the system so much as an act of hostility against the people the system helped, a punitive campaign against the poor. But the Republicans have triumphed in the politics of naming: this is the available "reform," and Clinton has gone along with it, opportunistically, to seize a piece of the credit.

That, of course, is exactly whar I expected him to do. I wasn't at all surprised to be "betrayed." Aren't politicians supposed to be opportunistic -- especially in democracies where the imperatives of re-election always loom? It is opportunism that connects them to the political process and forces responsibility upon them. The picture that disillusioned liberals and the Dole campaign alike have drawn in recent months - of an upright president ruling according to his principles, without regard for public opinion, reckless of popular support — is a talse picture of how democratic politics works, or should work. We want presidents to be responsive, to take tegular soundings of the people's views about the success or failure of administration policies, then to adjust the policies. They should refuse to make the adjustments only if they sense the public will welcome a tousing refusal to kowtow to public opinion. Sure, politi-. cians should sometimes accept defeat for the sake of moral principle. But such moments are rare in the political life of a functioning democracy; responsible politicians avoid the melodrama of self-sactifice. If they didn't, they wouldn't be

politicians. So my sense of betraval was in fact an act of moral self indulgence - a way of blaming the president for doing what presidents do. what they should do. The real failure in the welfare reform story was not Clinton's. It belongs instead to liberals and leftists (like me and my friends) in the country at large, who lacked the will, or the energy, or the capacity, to mobilize apposition to this Congress's fake "reform." Had we done so, we might have given Clinton a different opportunity schedule.

Consider the facts that must have figured in the president's calculations. People on welfare are not politically organized, and they vote in relatively small numbers. In general, men and women living below the poverty line are only half as likely to vote as men and women who earn \$35,000 and

above. The union movement. whose leaders urged a veto, has been in radical decline for decades now; the percentage of organized. workers in the private sector is currently at pre-New Deal levels. The Demncratic Party nn longer has a strong urban base, with ward and precinct organizations that can "deliver" an election. The gap that separares poor Americans from the rest of the country has been widening, in every sense: the poor: are poorer, more segregated geographically, more disconnected from the economy, with fewer organizational links to the middle classes. No one came to Washington, as Sen. Daniel Patrick Movnihan trild a New York Times reporter, to lobby against welfare "reform." So what purchase on the mind of the president could

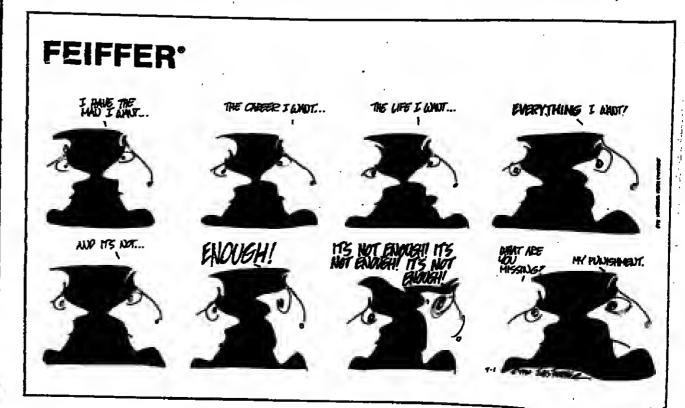
the idea of a veto have? Of course, he had veroed earlier versions of the welfare bill. But those vetoes were part of the negotiating process. They gave him a stake in the bill. They forced additions and revisions that he can now call his own. The bill is slightly better than it would have been, and this is the president's work. So, perhaps, he can smooth bis conscience; opportunists have coo-. sciences, too. But presidents don't act conscientiously. They act politically. They make judgments about what will mobilize support and build coalitions. They do what. pleases or what they think will - 1 please the most people. Advocates of real welfare reform need to find some way to make themselves the people who have to be pleased.

Netanyahu will probably prove more faithful to his principles than Clinton. Politicians of the far right (the far left, too) are less likely to be apportunistic because they are less committed to democratic values: contemptuous of the people or, at least, of selected pottions of the people. They know what patriots and loyal citizens should think and do. They have no interest in compromising with men and women who are "soft" or deluded about the national enemy. The oear left, by contrast, wants all politicians, its own included, to respond to the popular will. It is those of us out of power, free of governmental responsibility, whn have to challenge that will and try to change it. Waiting for a principled president is bad politics.

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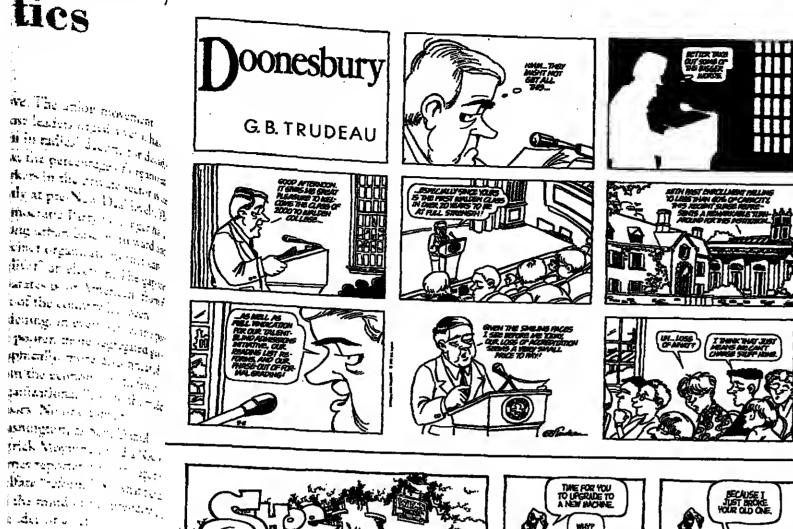
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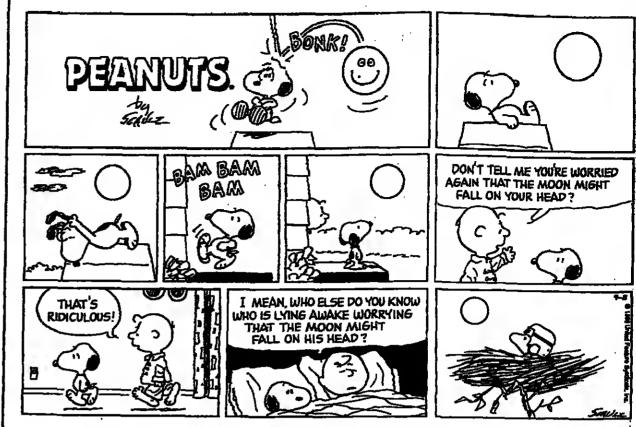
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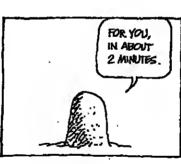




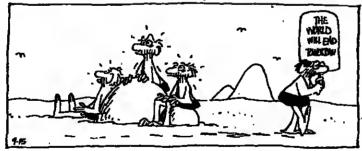










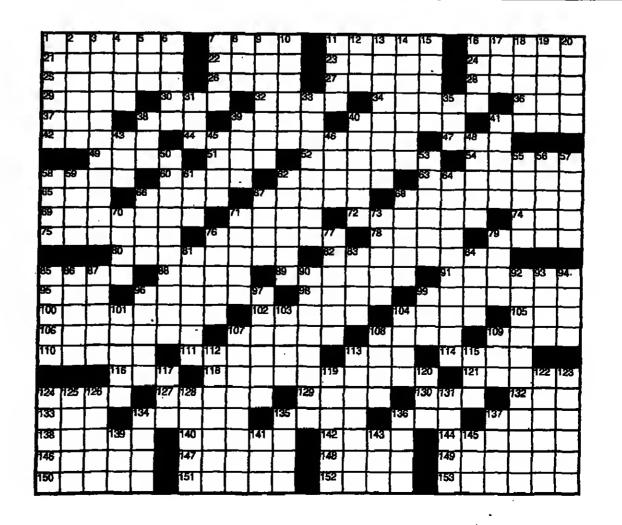


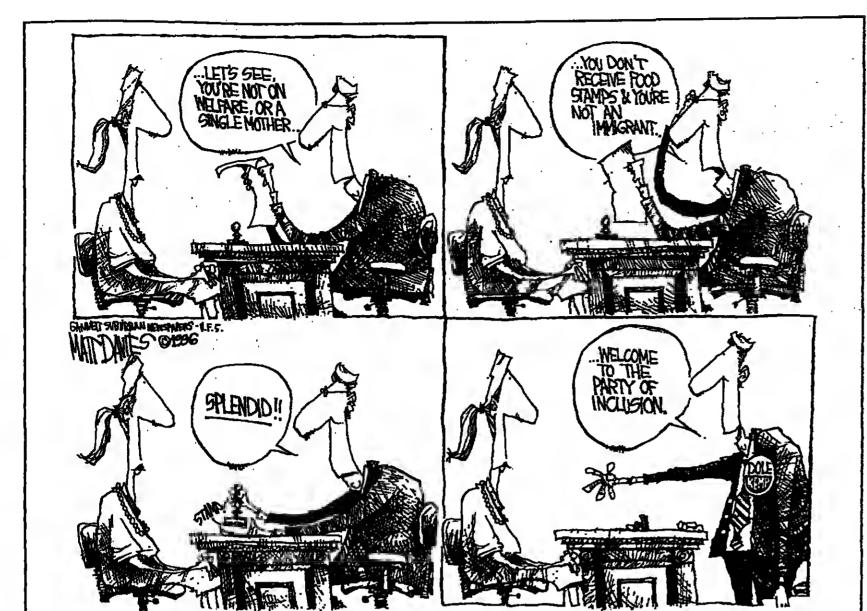




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Safety nets are for tragedy, not 'tragedy by choice'

BY BILL STEPHNEY

h the most ralked about black comedy performance since Eddie Murphy's "Raw," former "Saturday Night Live" star Chris Rock declares in his recent HBO special that there's "a war going on... black people vs. niggas!" In Takoma Park, in the heart of the Washington, D.C.-Prince Georges County, Md., black belt, Rock describes the two groups' divergent responses to the welfare bill before Congress. "Black people don't give a f"** about welfare; niggas are shaking in theit boots!" Rock's monologue and the exuberant "hoot"s and "teach, brother"s ir elicits from an all-black crowd reflect what polling data from within the African American community has said for years: The silent majority of black folk don't want welfare and its destructive effects.

In contrast to the rbetoric of the fiftysomething civil rights leaders assembled at the Democranic convention, you can hear a younger generation's rejection of "welfare culture" on the streets, in black newspapers, on black talk radio and in rap music. Take the lyrics from the recent hir single "If I Ruled The Wnrld," by Nas: "Nn welfare supporters/More conscious of the way we raise our daughters." Rap, for the most part, represents young black male anxiety over not just the white male patriarchy (police, racist employers, etc.) but also the black female matriarchy.

The misogyny articulated by the hip hop generation comes from its marginalization by a welfare system that defines "family" as a woman with children and a check from AFDC or child support. It's nor just the demise of work in urban America that has alienated black men from the family-supporting and child-rearing positions they used to occupy with pride, it's a welfare/child-support system that has substituted for them. Ir's 30 years of black male dislocatinn that's moved us from the R&B of 25 years ago — "Ain't Nn Woman Like The One I've Gor" — to such lyrics as "Bitches Ain't Nuthin Bur Hoes and Tricks."

What are the responsibilities today for a 19-year-old male when his 18-year-old "shnrty" becomes pregnant? Since Roe vs. Wade (which some think black folk are too primitive to know abour), the decision to bring a pregnancy to term is hers alone. Once the child is born, according to most state paremity statutes, he has no rights to it (only the birth mother does). He does have immediate financial responsibilities for the mother and child, whether or not he marries her, even though black wnmen are employed at a higher rate than black men.

Whar compelling reason does the 18-

year-old woman have to marry this young man? Marriage will knock out the child-industrial complex she can enjoy, which can include AFDC, health benefits for her children, housing and energy assistance programs, day care, off-the-books employment such as babysitting, hair-weaving and backup singing, cash from new and old boyfriends, cash from her mother and relatives, cash and gifts from her homegirls. I know of popular vocalists (men, for that matter, as well as women) who while still living in government-subsidized housing were making tens of thousands of dollars doing recordings, voiceovers and live performances. This "CREAM" scenario — "Cash Rules Everything Around Me," in the words of the rappers Method Man and the Wu-Tang Clan - is all these young men and women know. We have the money-for-nothing welfare mentality to thank for ir.

For most black men from 1865 through

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1965, it was a moral, ethical and spiritual relatinnship with their wives and their children that gave them the inner strength to fight racism and build their communities. Where marriages failed, the metaphorical "African village" of loving grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins and neighbors stepped in.

The boys and men devalued and replaced by the current welfare system have taken their dysfunction nor only to the recording studin bur to the streets as well. According rn a study in The Journal of Research in Crime and Delinquency by Douglas A. Smith and G. Roger Jarjoura, titled "Social Structure and Criminal Victimization," single parenting correlates with vinlent crime much more strongly than does poverty alnne. Letters written by John Royster, accused of a terror spree resulting in one murder, a vicious rape in Central Park and two nther attacks, told of a life where "he hated his mother" and "she hated him because he looked just like his biological father." In 1960 (during the time of George Wallace and

Lester Maddox), there were about 25,000 black men incarcerated in America, while 80 percent of black children were born to families with a married mother and father. Thirty-five years later, after Martin Luther King, busing, Black Power, Hendrix, Oprah, the Huxtables, the Congressional Black Caucus, Carol Moseley-Braun, Colin Powell, high-top fades and, sadly, 72 percent of black children being born to a single mother, I present these statistics:

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100,000 white male: 674,400 inmates / 860 per

black female: 52,000 inmares / 435 per

black male: 683,200 inmates / 6.753 per 100,000

Welfare: blow it up. Get rid of it. Americans deserve safety nets if the family is struck by unforeseen tragedy, not if the tragedy is by chnice. Government should cease taking its political lead from spokespeople who couldn't run a successful lemonade stand in the Sahara Desert. In 1978 there was no such thing as recorded rap music. Now it is a \$2 billion entity, with dozens of young, black multi-millionaire businesspersons. The civil rights-big government coalition may spend the coming years fighting to restore the welfare/child support system that this Congress and this president have takeo apart. Bur, in other parts of the African American community, we've moved nn.

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Platform tells little about Dem views

By ROBERT NOVAK

njoying the most peaceful, unified Democratic National Convention in memory, delegates temper their overriding Jopannism about a second term for President Clinton with unease about the party's future.

Anybody sophisticated enough to be a delegate understands Clinton's - and the convention's - need for Republican-sounding rhetoric to reassure the electorate. Still, there are liberals in Chicago whn perceive a hollow convention that reflects a bollow party.

A California delegate, a mainstream liberal and active party worker for three decades, told me over coffee the morning after a carefully programmed convention session: "It's a sham. Our convention is a sham, just like the San Diego convention was a sham. Both tried to hide what they stand for. But we don't even know where we are going."

Nothing better substantiates this delegate's sour assessment than the atrophied party platform. Democrats have been fighting about platforms throughout their history, in lean and far years. The civil-rights plank was bitterly contested at Atlantic City in 1964, followed by a Democranic landslide. The all-night platform debate at Miami Beach in 1972 was followed by a Democratic debacle.

This year's watery platform, dictated by the Clinton campaign — as is everything else here — offers little susrenance for mind or soul. Platform committee members were well aware that everything they did was subject to White House review and absolure veto power.

That power was exercised lare in the platform process. The platform's denunciation of Republican welfare reform was obediently reversed, with neither protest nor debate, once Clinton signed the bill. Nor was the change mentioned on the convention. floor in the non-debate preceding voice vote approval of the platform. Far from being debared, the declaration of party principles was not even explained.

There was fuller explanation to delegates of a document that amounted to a second platform: "Putting Families First," drafted by congressional Democratic leaders. The separate plan reflects the gap between Capitol Hill and the White House but offers little improvement on the platform. "We spent a year taking testimony and working hard," a liberal congressman told me, "and came up owith a big nothing."

A big nothing in substance was what the nation saw on network television during the one-hour prime-time window the first. two nights of the convention. Sarah Brady, while trashing her Republican roots, talked only about the issue of gun control. The

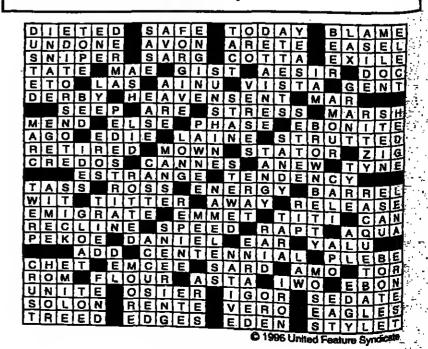
disabled actor Christopher Reeve's endless speech avoided all issues. After Monday night's bathos, prime-time viewers finally were going to be told by a working politician what the party stands for: Tuesday's keynote address from Indiana Gov. Evan Bayh, a potential new national star. After perusing Bayh's pedestrian script, however, convention managers at the last minute switched places between him and Hillary Rodham Clinton to give her Tuesday's featured speaking slot.

Pre-prime-time speeches by Jesse Jackson and Mario Cuomo were intended to give a little of the old-time liberal religion to predominantly leftist delegates and politely echo the delegates' disapptoval of Clinton on the welfare bill. But while Jackson remains a spectacular nratnr, he is tamed - no longer a dangerous force on the Democratic scene. Cuomo repeated the America-is-divided theme of his triumphant 1984 keynote at San Francisco. but in the wake of his 1994 defeat for re-election as governor of New York has lost his force.

Cummi's time is past, but has Bayn's arrived? The 40-year-old Hoosier governor is a moderate conservative, not in touch ideologically with these delegares. His speech reflected less his own philosopby than Whire House talking points, a dismal effort thar was not punched up by a new ending written minutes before his presentation. Unable to display what makes him popular in conservative Indiana, Bayh showed the difficulty at this convention when Clinton managers stray from syrupy non-politicians.

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Digital cameras: The future is now

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Individuals can incorporate family pictures in printed or e-mail greetings cards and invitations; business and industry can instantly proliferate pictures of prod-ucts via the Internet around the world.

In theory digital cameras sound great. And in the next century the overwhelming majority of images will be "recorded" rather than "taken."

Non-professional digital cameras currently on the market (only abroad) range in price between approximately \$350 and \$5,000. Many models look like ordinary pocket cameras whilst others are space age io design. They are manufactured either by computer companies like Epson and Casio, or traditional photo firms like Kodak, Polaroid and Fuji. The limitations of the first generation

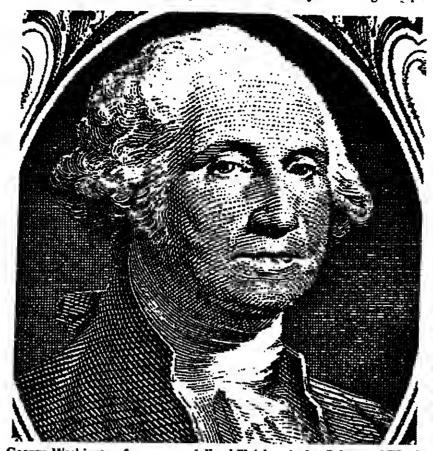
digital camera are many; not the least being picture quality. On the whole the image quality is poorer than the standard VGA or Mac color monitor screen.

Digital picture resolution is deter-mined by the number of picture elements or "pixels." Pixels are tiny color-carrying dots. To illustrate, a single frame of color film captures around 114 million pixels of information instantaneously. Today the average digital camera can only record less than one percent of a film frame's information or about 921,600 pixels per picture. To give the appearance of a stronger image, many cameras produce a 3-D movie or TVstyle picture hy exaggerating colors and

luminance around the edges of objects. A second cause of reduced picture quality comes is duc to picture storage in the camera. In order to store more piclures, either on a memory chip or a transferable "PC card," the camera "compresses" the information. Compression reduces the number of pixels, which computer software can later "decompress." But picture resolution is never the same after compression. The greater



the compression, the worse the degrada- ty, or no compression, but fewer pictures tion. Some cameras offer options: higher compression and greater storage capaci-The sensitivity of the charged coupled



George Washington from a one dollar bill (above), detail from a NIS 100 note (left), and the drawing of an eye all show tiny picture elements or 'pixels,' which are the building blocks of digital pictures.

device (CCD), which is similar in function to the eye's retina, is equivalent to 100 ASA/ISO film, in other words, relatively slow. That means the light has to be bright. Most of the cameras have a disconcerting delay between pressing shutter and actual picture taking. Moving subjects are, therefore, somewhat problematical. Also, it takes an average of five to eight seconds to digitally store the picture, during which time another picture cannot be taken.

All digital cameras come with built-in software for transferring images to a computer, certain "housekeeping" functions (camera settings, deleting, etc.) and some have added basic image-editing applica-

tions for cropping and color balancing.

The images can be transferred to a computer via a cable or a PC card, which is a solid "hard disc," somewhat thicker than a credit card. Generally, transfer takes about two minutes per picture, sometimes longer depending on the camera, software and the amount of compression.

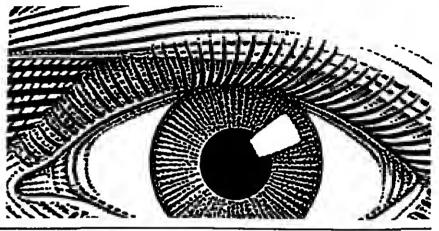
If this all sounds off-putting, there are, nevertheless, certain features available even today that no film camera can

match: For example, the \$1,200 Fuji DS-220 comes with an optional LCD screen that allows the photographer to instantly review pictures. The \$1,700 Ricoh RDCdoubles as a video camera, but only for a few minutes. It can also record 10 seconds of sound. The \$5,000 Polaroid PDC-2000 stores 60 relanvely high quality (uncompressed) images almost twice as many as on a single film on its builtin hard disc drive.

Nikon wilt soon release a camera the size of a mobile phone, which can record up to 17 minutes of audio information, and handwritten captions can be added to each picture (anywhere on the image) with an electronic pen. The price will be over \$3,500.

Some professional digital cameras costing up to \$40,000 are in use in Israel at the Government Press Office, the Defence Ministry and the large Hebrew dailies.

If that kind of money sounds too rich for your blood, but you still want to try digital photography, there's the oew entry-price Kodak DC20 at \$350 (not yet sold in Israel), the first digital "box" camera available on the mass market.



The continuity of war

S savagery contagious or just hereditary? British historian John Keegan tends to believe it is both. He describes the charge of the People of the Steppes from central Asia, on the civilized parts of China and Europe in the latter part of the Middle Ages in A History of Warfare, which was made available to the Hehrew reader as Toldot Halehima (Dvir Publishers), just two years after it was published in England.

Unlike many a military historian, Keegan has never been a soldier, because a childhood disease had left him infirm. But his father was a soldier, and so were many of his Oxford huddies, whose career Keegan had followed closely. "Soldiers are not as everybody else," he concluded after observing "the military tribe" of his colleagues on the academic staff at Sandhurst.

When the fighting men in western Mongolia had tamed the wild Przewalski horse that roamed in the steppes, they began their onslaught, Keegan writes. The riding man and his beast became one inseparable unit, moving swiftly, destroying any buman barrage passed

The bow and arrow were the riding man's weapon, which he used whilst on the move. And there was no end to his cruelty. The utmost pleasure of Attila, the leader of the Huns, was to decimate his adversary, plunder, kill and rape.

The western trek had been taken before. The Assyrians, the Persians, the barbarians under their many names crossed the confines of civilization of the Middle East and Europe, learning nothing of the culture of the people they destroyed, says Keegan. But in the year 751 CE the empire they had built was checked by a new force emerging from the heart of the Middle East: the Arabs.

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The Arah contribution to warfare was ideology. Indeed, ideology had before moved the Hebrews when they emerged from the Sinai, in the came of the all-powerful God. But in the case of the Arahs the scope was much, much

The aim of war for the Moslems was to hring all men to abide by God. However, the Arabs had never learned to be forceful fighters, remarks Keegan. Their preferred way of fighting was the raid. Their commanders did not show much imagination in inventing stratagems. Their horses were pampered creatures, a far cry from the sturdy ponies of the steppes, but the camel permitted the Arabs to quickly cross vast areas which more civilized troops believed impassable.

Their most powerful asset was the surprise. They stunned the Byzantines - primitive as this sort of fighting may be, it was very effective in harassing the professional hosts. Keegan believes that what turned the Arab onslaught

THE CONQUEST of the Holy Land by the Crusaders was of a different nature. The Crusaders were chevalicrs, mounted knights, whose aims were limited. They scrimmaged for some 100 years with local chieftains, until they were given a severe hlow by Saladin, a Kurdish soldier io Egyptian pay. But while the Europeans and the local military potentates quarreled, the Mongolian People of the Steppes swept away everything on their way: Christians and Moslems alike.

The core of Genghis Khan's armies was very small - about 23,000 men, Keegan says. But the Mongol conqueror increased his effective strength by incorporating local tribes into accepting his leadership. Genghis kept his host disciplined in the extreme: the soldiers were not allowed to take captive women - many a successful invasion had disintegrated when its chieftains began quarreling about the females they caught. Genghis was very prompt in taking the offensive: His revenge was bloody and extensive, the natural reaction of a primitive man encountering a cultivated society.

It is a moot question to speculate if the defenders of the Middle East stood a chance to stop the Mongols, or any other invader, had they been aware of the impending attack, More often than not the indigenous populations were so stunned by the rumors of the invincible raider that they offered no resistance at all.

The dominance of the People of the Steppes collapsed the moment their horses had munched off all the grass on their way. Regular pasture requires a steady effort by the farmer: pasture and agriculture do not coexist. Willynilly the conqueror was destined to adapt him-

The tragedy persisted however, when the sons of the Steppes kept the husbandsman in

History is repetitive. The site of Adrianople (Edirne) in the Balkans saw 13 battles between 323 and 1913. German tanks in the Blitzkrieg of 1940 followed the Route Nationale 43, which is the road Julius Caesar had huilt. Would anybody open to more information than this writer try and guess from which quarter history might surprise us...

Those fascinating felines

OME very interesting questions have come from readers lately. One of them concerns the unusual arrangement in the mouth of the cat which is called the Jacobson's organ, named after its discoverer.

This organ is the vomeronasal sac. It is a small pouch-like structure lined with extremely sensitive receptor cells which assists the cat in defining and ideotifying odors. When a scent enters the nose the cat traps a small amount of the scented air with its tongue and presses it against this sac in the roof of its mouth for identification. This arrangement allows the car a far wider range of scent Identification possibilities that the nose alone provides.

The second question is not so tmusual. In fact, it bas been asked for centuries. One of the thiogs that made the cat a candidate for deification in ancient Egypt was the belief that cats had an internal light source that allowed them to literally see in the dark. This misapprehensioo is quite understandable, for if you any sort of light at a cat in the dark you see what really appears to be two well-lighted orbs that stare back at you. Cats and many other animals possess this trait, particularly nocturnal

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In order to see at all, there must be some light, so neither cats or any other animal actually "see in the dark "

But there are different degrees to which species are able to utilize the amount of available light, even when that light is very dim. The secret of the cat is in the pupil of its eye that allows it to contract or expand in order to admit controlled light. If we look at the eye of a cat sitting in a bright sunny place, we will observe that the pupil has all but disappeared and nothing remains except the tiniest vertical slit. Almost all the hright light is excluded.

On the other hand, if we look into that same eye at twilight we will see that the pupil is enormous, a great black circle almost filling the eye. In this case, every possible hit of available light is admitted. The light that is admitted is reflected by a special layer of iridescent cells called the tapetum lucidium. This is what makes a cat's eyes shine in

reflected light. It is also thought (bnt not proven) that this layer, or perhaps even the retina itself, has a photo-multiplying effect on received light, similar to the seoslazed materials in night scopes. These adaptations allow a cat to see very well in the dimmest of

The third question comes from a reader who wants to know how it is that cats always land on their feet when they are dropped or fall from a height. This facility is due to a sequence of acrions that gives the cat this rather unusual ability. High-speed photographs show that first the cat levels its head until it is horizonforepaws are brought up to the head, the spine twists and the hind legs flex, so that the cat lands on all four feet, back arched. The tail is used to belp attain halance.

Despite this ability cats do get injured from falling from very high places, and they often suffer fractured limbs or pelvises and in some cases broken jaws and splitting of the hard palate when the chin strikes the ground.

Former dictator Idi Amin lives carefree in Saudi Arabia

WENTY-FIVE years after he seized power and began a brutal eight-year reign of terror, ldi Amin walks the streets of Jeddah a free man – a celebri-

In a local grocery store, the overweight former dictator shops for yogurt and milk, pushing his own cart, wearing his long white Saudi-stylc robe. People come up to him in the aisles cheerily and shake his hand, asking, "How are you, Mr. President?" He smiles and answers politely. "He killed a lot of people. He are human flesh," says

the manager on duty at the "Safestway," a fellow African who says he sees Amin often in the aisles. "But it's people's nature to forget." For those who have forgotten, Idi Amin Dada became

president of Uganda in January 1971 when be seized power in a coup. During the following eight years, he murdered an estimated 300,000 of his own people. In 1972, he exiled all 70,000 ethnic Asians from Uganda. He caused an international incident when he nearly executed a British lecturer for describing him as a "village tyrant." He praised Adolf Hitler. He proclaimed

himself national heavyweight boxing champion.

Twenty years ago, he collaborated with hijackers from the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine when they rerouted an Air France plane to the Ugandan airport

Despite his troubling history, Amin is not living in shame, hamiliation and fear in some backwater slum. He lives in a large, attractive marble villa in a somewhat rundown section of this oil-rich city, apparently with about nine of his 43-or-so children.

About 68 years old, he is a practicing Muslim whose daughters are covered, head to toe, in black. He goes to the local Bukhshan mosque every week for prayers.

Amin grants few interviews. When two American reporters appeared last week at the gates of his villa asking to speak with him, they were summarily dismissed, first by the ex-president's son, and later by a threatening Security guard, who promised trouble if they reappeared.

This is the end," said a voice over the loudspeaker outside Amin's home. "He's not here."

Later, a 1 a.m. call from an aide named Abdullah offered the information that Amin was away, in the capital city of kiyadh.

One of the few recent interviews Amin did give, appearing in the Sunday Telegraph in England three years ago, was with a former foreign correspondent who struck up a friendship with Amin in Uganda during his tenure. It was written during a visit to Jeddah in which the two recollected the good old days when they each ate a "hunk of roast hippo liver" in the Ruwenzori mouna music lands, the two "mooch around town" in Amin's

white Chevrolci Caprice. Although Amin hecame a joke in his day - a yet.



Idi Amin in 1976.

Hollywood parody of an African dictator - he was, in fact, a deadly dangerous man who brought pain, devastanon and bankruptcy to his own people. Like many former dictators, including Jean-Claude Duvalier of Haiti, Amin was allowed to leave peacefully by the Ugandan exiles and their Tanzanian supporters who overthrew his

regime in 1979. A guerrilla group, the West Nile Bank Front, is fighting in Uganda against current president Yoweri Museveni. Dozens have been recently killed by the group, which

Museveni says is backed by Amin. Amin has denied any connection, and said in a brief interview with a Ugandan paper in November that he had little expectation of being granted amnesty to return to Uganda. "It would be ridiculous for the people who keep calling me a huffoon and a dictator to invite me back," he

It appears, therefore, that his stay in Jeddah is not over

Don't worry, no one but you noticed

AVING a bad hair day? Feel like too many people are watching you? Relax. New studies say you get away with more than you think. In a series of experiments researchers conclude that people

overestimate how much attention others pay to them.
It's the spotlight effect, says psychologist Thomas Gilovich of
Cornell University in New York. That is why you feel like a pub-

lic failure if you stand in the corner or spill a drink at a party. "You can relax," Gilovich says. "Many fewer people notice these and other embarrassing circumstances than you might think.... People tend to think the social spotlight shines more

brightly on them than it does." Gilovich described a two-year series of experiments on the subject at the annual meeting of the American Psychological

In one, researchers showed up unannounced at three small undergraduate seminars at Cornell. For four days in a row, each member of each class (which typically included about 10 peo-ple), was asked how other members looked that day and how

other members would think he or she looked. The study showed that on average, each person was greatly overestimating how much others were noticing their bad days or

In another experiment, each participant put on a Barry Manilow T-shirt (which another study found that most Cornell students would find embarrassing to wear in front of their peers), walked into a room of other students who were filling out quesnonnaires and then left after a brief stay. The participant was asked to estimate what percentage of the students noticed the

On average, they thought 46 percent nonced. In fact, only 23%

The same trend held true off campus. Skiers overestimated how many people riding ski lifts were scrutinizing their skiing. Gilovich says a person typically knows that he or she is more concerned about himself or herself than others are. People take their own self-consciousness into account - but not enough when judging how much others are paying attention, Gilovich

To test that idea, he did the T-shirt experiment again, bul with two twists. One is that the face on the shirt was either Martin Luther King, comedian Jerry Seinfeld or reggae icon Bob Marley. Studies showed students would be proud to wear at least one of those images.

The second twist was that some students went into the room right away, while others waited a half-hour. The idea was that those who waited would get used to the T-shirt, be less selfconscious about il and nol think as many people were watch-

That's exactly what happened. Students who passed through the room immediately thought about half the people in the room saw their shirt. Those who waited thought only 34%

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1996-97 Basketball Season Preview

1. MACCABI TEL AVIV

COACH: ZVI SCHERF BUCK JOHNSON, RANDY WHITE, Doron Sheffer, Oded Katash, Nadav Henefeld, Brad Leaf, Derek Sharp, Gny Goodes, Constantin Popa, Burko Radovitch, Eyal Sa'ar, Guy Zano.

AFTER last year's disappointing showing in Europe and occasional shaky performances in the league, everyone expected major changes for Maccabi Tel Aviv. However, few could have forseen the wholesale housecleaning the club pursued over the summer, which has totally retooled the club as it heads into its first season of EuroLeague competition.

With Guy Goodes's knees still suspect, Maccahi moved to shore up its backcourt, throwing a ton of money at hoth Doron Scheffer, who opted in put his NBA dream on hold, and Oded Katash, who passed up the NCAA for the hlueand-yellow. The resulting combination of Scheffer's court savvy and Katash's razzle-dazzle should prove deadly, and may soon invite com-parisons with the Mickey-and-Motti era.

Maccahi also took a giant step towards plug-ging the gap in the middle of their defense in recent seasons, replacing the rarely airborne Radisav Curcic with Romanian naturalized player Constantin Popa, a University of Miami grad. Popa should finally give Maccahi some shotblocking underneath, something that was sorely

While other cluhs are still searching for foreign players, Maccabi took care of business early this season, avoiding last year's embarrassment when the club had to wait weeks for Tom Chambers to round himself into shape. In acquiring Randy White and Bnck Johnson, Maccabi not only signed former NBA players, but landed two veterans of the European wars. The two are expected to have fans comparing them to Kevin Magee and Lee Johnson.

The bench has been strengthened as well. True. Maccahi let super sub Motti Daniel leave, but added Burko Radovitch, who can supply plenty of instant offense off the bench. Brad Leaf is still around after sparking Maccahi often last season, while speedy Derek Sharp gives Scherf a fine four-man rotation at guard and is expected to be a spark on defense

Nadav Henefeld is also back at one forward spot, and should see the ball more now that Chambers is gone. Henefeld will have to provide more offense, although he remains one of the best defensive players in the league.

Finally, Maccabi also added by subtraction. By allowing Daniel and team captain Doron Jamchee to leave the club, they added an important element of youth. Too many times last year Maccahi faded in the closing minutes. Younger legs may be the answer, although Jamchee's jump shot and Daniel's aggressive play off the bench may be sorely missed.

All the changes are great for Maccabi, but bad for the league. At least on paper, Maccabi should steamroll most clubs, even with its bench. They should have no difficulty taking first place and winning the State Cup - but didn't we say that

2. HAPOEL EILAT

COACH-MOSHE WEINKRANTZ JAMES FORREST, NANAD MARKOVITCH; Amir Katz, Joe Dawson, Meir Tapiro, Shimon Amsalem, Ari Roseoberg, Yuval Ashkenazi, Chris Shabbat, Eyal Berkowitz, Oded Wolfson,

HAPOEL Eilat was expected to be one of the studs of the National League beach last year, hut instead ended up getting sand kicked in its face. A series of narrow losses sent the club sliding down the standings, and not eveo The Wizard, Ralph Klein, could get Eilat back into the thick of

This year will be different. With enough offense to beat their opponents in any number of ways, Eilat is not only a contender for an Upper Playoff spot, hut may even give Maccabi Tel Aviv a run for its money.

Eilat has two players capable of easily scoring 30 points on any given night: Nanad Markovitch - who should flourish in Eilat, where he won't have to carry the team as he did with Hapoel Tel Aviv - and Amir Katz, who has to be happy to be away from strife-tom Bnei Herzliya.

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Is there a giant-killer in the house?

EVEN in a country where Goliaths have been known to take their lumps, it's unlikely the "little guys" the other 11 teams besides

Maccabi Tel Aviv making np the National Basketball League - will have much chance of dethroning the defending champions this season.

Whereas the giant task might have seemed doable, the arrival of Maccabi's own big man, 2.20m center Constantin Popa, the signing of former University of Connecticut point guard Doron Sheffer and retention of Oded Katash, and the addition of NBA warhorses Buck

ARYEH DEAN COHEN

key part of Jerusalem's success, and he's likely to

again figure hig in the team's plans.

Pini Levy was also a disappointment in the

playoffs, after contributing 7.1 ppg in the regular season, but he remains a capable back-up. Hapoel

let Roi Eyal go to Ra'anana to get more experience, and back-up point guard H. Waldman is out

with a leg mjury, which could mean early trouble

for Gershon's club. Jerusalem's first-round

matchup with Hapoel Eilat should be a good test

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of just how ready Jerusalem is for the season.

Johnson and Randy White - to name just a few of the moves coach Zvi Scherf's club made over the offseason - will separate Maccabi from the rest of the pack.

Still, miracles do happen, and wasn't it only last year that Maccabi. officials and coach Ralph Klein were gloating about a "dream team," only to see their season turn into a nightmare until they finally rebounded to take the league

While 11 coaches dream of Maccabi Jerusalem, and changes in

Maccabi Tel Aviv

Hapoel Jerusalem Hapoel Galil Elyon

Bnei Herzliya Maccabi Rishon

lapoel Holon

Hapoel Tel Aviv Hapoel Safed Hapoel Eilet

Maccabi Jerusalem Maccabi Ramat Gan

COACH: RONI BOSANI

pulling off a miraculous opset of Maccabi, they'll focus more on

gaining playoff berths and a spot in European competition. Hapoel Eilat has regrouped after last year's disappointing campaign and look strong, while Hapoel Jerusalem is likely to once again challenge for the crown, along with Maccabi Rishon Lezion, who obtained Maccabi captain Doron Jamchee in

the offseason. Maccabi Ramat Gan is replacing

the rules regarding naturalized players have bolstered some line-nps and sent some older naturalized players like Steve Malovic and Willie Sims out of the senior league, at least until changes are permitted after the fifth round of play.

While many teams are still trying out foreign players prior to the opening of the season, the accompanying thumbnail sketches of the clubs (foreign players are written in capital letters), listed in projected order of finish, is a rundown of what to expect this coming basketball season.

6. HAPOEL HOLON

COACH: NIV BOGIN; PLAYERS: MILTON WAGNER, DEREK HAMILTON, Yisrael Elimelech, Kohi Baloul, Assaf Barnea, Yoav Sapar, Yariv Rukani, Lazy Cohen, Erel Batzar, Assaf Dotan, Lior Levy.

HAPOEL Holon is big on tradition. Thanks to a fine youth program, players have been coming up through the ranks to the big club for years. Now one of them is coach: Niv Bogin, who played with the team for several years.

Holon surprised some pundits last year by finishing as high as sixth (we had them fifth), after some had predicted a further fall in the cluh's fortunes. But a mix of bomegrown talent and the play of foreigners Milton Wagner and Derek Hamilton was enough to earn the clnh a Korac Cup berth.

Lacking a true center, Holon exchanged Eli Baloul for his more massive brother, Kobi, a move which should plug a hole in the middle of. the defense and provide some needed additional rebounding. Assaf Barnea - who showed he had recovered from injuries with a fine effort for Maccabi Jerusalem last season - is on hand to add depth to the frontcourt, while Assaf Dotan came over with Galil Elyon, still looking to make his impact in the league.

He'll back up Wagner, who despite ups and downs got hot in the Lower Playoffs last year to earn a return. Hamilton is an all-around player who should have another good campaign, and experience has shown that clubs who retain foreigners for more than a year generally benefit. Holoo should do so this year, and maintain its Korac Cup positioo by season's end.

7. BNEI HERZLIYA COACH: MULI KATZURIN

TERRENCE STANSBURY, TODD MITCHELL Lior Arditi, Amir Mukhtari, Ofer Fleischer, Ami Nawi, Nir Richlis, Danny Yitzhak, Assaf Harari, Hanan Hillel, Gai Keresh, Yossi Dadon.

FINANCIAL problems and internal dissension Boston Celtic Darren Daye and former Maccabi tore apart Bnei Herzliya last year, turning a club captain Doron Jamchee, making coach Roni with the potential to challenge for the champi-Bosani's club a practical shoo-in for a Final Four outship into a collection of malcontents, who never seemed to get along on the court.

Shooting guard Amir Katz's desire for the ball and other internal conflicts kept the club from realizing that poteotial, and Katz was finally let go during the offseasoo.

shooting remains to be seen, but for now, Herzliya appears to bave found an answer for his absence. Two French league scoring leaders, Todd Mitchell and Terrence Stansbury, have joined the club and are expected to provide the missing offense. Meanwhile, scrappy Lior Arditi should see more action. Arditi, a fine defender, can also score when given the chance, and this year be gets it.

Herzliya's main problem is underneath. Ofer Fleischer bas his moments, hut unless be improves his horrendous foul shooting and gets a bit more aggressive, opponents' big men will continue to thrive under the basket. Young Amir Mukhtari may help in that regard as he faces a watershed season, and the acquisition of Nir Richlis to provide frontcourt depth and scoring was a wise move. Assaf Harari and the human gnat, Ami Nawi, are also being counted on, but Herzliya fans will have to be happy with a Korac Cup berth this year.

8. MACCABI RA'ANANA

COACH: ARIK SHIBAK PAUL THOMPSON, MARK BRISKER; Tomer Steinhauer, Koren Amisha, Barak Peleg, Roi Eyal, Amit Ben-David, Niv Berg, Amit Ginsburg, Bohhy Wallace, Maoz Suaz.

MONEY will certainly oot be a problem for Ra'anana, as the club has the full backing of Mayor Ze'ev Bielski, himself a former baskethall player. Indeed, Ra'anana could be one of the nice surprises of the league, basing its game on some talented Israeli players, including Tomer Steinhauer, Koren Amisha, Roi Eyal and Barak

Steinhauer has been given a rare opportunity to again prove bimself as the leading Israel center, something be never got while sitting on the Maccahi bench. Not that he lacks talent - he's had flashes of brilliance throughout his career. The future is now for Tomer, and if he delivers, Ra'anana will flourish.

The same is true for Amisha, who had his ups and downs at Bnei Herzliya. Now that he's proven he's not a point guard, he's finally on a cluh where he won't have to play that position. That will free him to do what he does best: shoot. The playmaking will be handled by Eyal, who showed signs of brilliance in hrief stints with Hapoel Jerusalem last year, and Peleg, who did the same with Hapoel Safed.

The main question is whether Ra'anana's two foreign players - Paul Thompson and Mark Brisker, who belped carry the team to a National League berth - are good enough for the senior circuit. Thompson's been there before, and Bohby Wallace is on hand to spell the two, but consistent play from the foreigners is vital if Ra'anana wants to meet its goal of establishing itself in the

9. GIVAT SHMUEL

CAN two legends make a francise into a winner? If anyone in Israeli basketball can accomplish that feat, it's Mickey Berkowitz and Motti Aroesti. Berkowitz, as general manager of the new arrival from the Second Division, is trying to inspire his players with the "right stuff" that made him such a success on the court.

Aroesti, Berkowitz's former backcourt mate who coached Givat Shmuel into the National League last season, has stepped down to focus more on his business interests, but remains in a management role. The coaching will be done by Eli Kenati, who has the tools to avoid relegation and sneak into the Lower Playoffs.

He's got a scorer in former NBA and Rishon Lezion player Gerald Paddio, and a rebounder in John Devereaux to complement one of the league's leading Israeli hig men, Dror Cohen. He's got spunk, to be provided by Danny Gott and feisty point guard Gilad Simboni. But that's about as far as it goes for now.

Berkowitz and Kenati are building on contribu-

tions from some of the cluh's talented youngsters. including Barak Leibowitz, and hoping veterans Eran Bergstein and Motti Ben-Bassat can contribute off the bench. If another talented foreigner is found and Mickey and Motti's magic seeps in, the newcomers may yet make a place for themselves in the National League.

10. HAPOEL SAFED

COACH: MOSHE GERSHON ANDRE SPENCER, MELVIN NEUBERN, Erez Hazan, Menahem Atlas, Rotem Erlich, James Terry, Elad Tziflik, Eran Sa'ar, Ilan Maman, Eyal Lotati, Ilan Amar, Shai Azulai.

EVEN the Elders of Safed were astonished by the club's impressive showing in the early going last season. Led by guard Melvin Neubern and Cedric Glover, Safed looked like it might make a Korac Cup spot. However, a brief disappearing act by Neubern started a downturn, and the clob ran out of steam after that.

Money problems had forced the club to reduce its expectations this season, but Safed announced recently that Neubern's coming back, and enthusiastic crowds and the inspired play of captain Erez Hazan and virtuoso foreigner Andre Spencer might keep the club in the hunt for a Korac Cup

Rotem Erlich takes over at the point after a season in Eilat, while veteran naturalized player James Terry, 36, is being counted on to make up for the loss of Glover underneath. That's a tail order, and Terry is also unlikely to soon make Safed fans forget Nir Richlis, who also left the club. Menahem Atlas - who suffered through a season with Gvat last year - isn't the answer,

Hazan, at 35, can still hit the three-pointer and plays smart basketball, but his stamina and that of the entire team have to be a question mark. Safed's management receotly seot a request for a blessing to Lubavitch headquarters in New York. They need it. Unless the veterans find a Fountain of Youth on Mt. Meron, it should be a rather long season for Gershon and his club.

11. HAPOEL TEL AVIV COACH: MEIR KAMINSKY

DIMITRI HILL, MICHAEL LLOYD, Uri Labav, Viki Revah, Zufer Avadia, Yoav Bar, Gil Mosenson, Ziv Tabor, Tzach Yair, Uri Shelef, Erez Klein, Shani Cohen,

THE glory days of Hapoel Tel Aviv, when Barry TELDOMIES OF MIKE THE gee wonig ieau uie ieam ic victory, may seem a lot longer ago to the team's fan this season. Budget cuts have forced the club to go with almost all youngsters, meaning no improvement in the team's fortunes over last year.

Outside two fairly talented foreign players, the rest of the squad is largely untested, meaning coach Meir Kaminsky may want to throw himself into the nearby Hayarkon River on some nights at Ussishkin.

Hapoel's two young foreigners, Dimitri Hill, a graduate of Florida, and Michael Lloyd, who played for Jim Boeheim at Syracuse, will be the focal point of the team's offense. Hill can hull his way to the basket and should be a prolific scorer, hut Lloyd had a reputation at Syracuse (and in preseason play here) for having trouble handling the basketball. He's a better scorer than he is a point guard, but that's where be'll play this sea-

Uri Lahav, an "old pro" compared to some of the youngsters on this team, is being counted to contribute at shooting guard, while 18-year-old Gil Mosenson also gets a chance to show he deserves a starting job. Zufer Avadia, at 36, can still score, but is unlikely to contribute much else, while young Viki Revah gets a chance to prove his worth at ceoter.

If nothing else, Kaminsky - who spent last year coaching at Florida International - is probably the right coach for these youngsters. He'll need natience, as his club is likely to spend most of the season fighting off relegation.

12. MACCABI RAMAT GAN COACH: EFFI BIRNBAUM

TONY MASSOP, COREY WILLIAMS, Uni Cohen-Mintz, Yaron Lahat, Mor Ne'eman, Nir Matalon, John McIntyre, Yisrael Sheinfeld, Oren Aharoni, Shahar Gueta, Peleg Nurani, Eldad

AFTER falling out of the National League for the first time in 30 years, Maccabi Ramat Gan made it hack without playing a single game. Maccabi Jerusalem's inability to provide league officials with the necessary guarantees for players' salaries sent Jerusalem back to the lower division, and coach Effi Birnbaum & Co. back to the big time. harring any unforeseen last-minute develop-

While Birnbaum is a fine coach who had a rough time at Hapoel Eilat last year before resigning, his work is certainly cut out for him. Tony Massop, who had some good moments for Hapoel Jerusalem several years ago, is still 3 question mark because of health problems. while Corey Williams looks like a good pick-up The club has hardly practiced this summer, a bad sign for a team with so many inexperienced players.

Still, Yaron Lahat has potential, and Uri Coben-Mintz made some significant progress with Maccabi Jerusalem last season. Nir Matalon is still trying to make an impact in the league, while club officials were still trying to convince David Brooks to play with the team. For now, however, Ramat Gan fans should celebrate the team even heing in the league. Indeed, that may be the only thing worth celebrating all season.

rehounding, 2.05-meter former Georgia Tech center James Forrest, and capable reserves Shimon Amsalem and Ari Rosenberg. Eilat's management made another wise move, hringing in Moshe Weinkrantz, arguably one of

Then there's fine, up-and-coming point guard

Meir Tapiro, evergreen naturalized player Joe

Dawson who is still capable of scoring and

the league's best coaches, to run the show. Weinkrantz, who almost succeeded in turning around Hapoel Tel Aviv's season, is reunited with Markovitch and Tapiro, and should insure good team chemistry. Combined, the talented roster and talented coach should mean Eilat will be one of the hot clubs in the National League this sea-

3. HAPOEL JERUSALEM

COACH: PINI GERSHON BILLY THOMPSON, DAN BINGHEIMER, Adi Gordon, Papi Turgeman, Doron Shefa, Motti Daniel, Pini Levy, H. Waldman, Carmiel Springer, Oren Sadeh, Danny Atliano, Eyal Hai.

HAPOEL Jerusalem fans will never forget the sight of Adi Gordon's underhanded lay-up dropping through the basket to give his club the State Cup vs. Maccahi Tel Aviv last season. However, they will also not soon forget the club's humiliating thumping at the hands of Zvi Scherf's club in the finals, a series that erased any claims Jerusalem had to National League bragging rights

This season, Jerusalem is unlikely to give Maccabi as stiff a fight, although they will again be in the running. It's not only that Maccahi's gotten better, but Jerusalem has gotten older, and may not have the bench strength to compete with

the defending champs. Left without a center when Junior Burrough balked at signing oo at the last moment, Jerusalem tumed to Billy Thompson, a two-year fan favorite and tremendous player who bad gone

to try his luck at returning to the NBA. Thompson says he's thrilled to be back, but the question is how coach Pini Gershon feels about it. Gershon wasn't happy with Thompson's penchant for getting into foul trouble early in biggames, and there were offseason reports of

Thompson showing up late for practice. Still, when he's physically at his best, there are few players in the league who can match him for his interior defense and all-around offense. While he bas trouble with big men inside, Thompson's a

pro, and it shows. ingheimer's been on Gershon's shopping for some time, but it remains to be seen if he can carry a club like Norris Coleman did in several games last year. Jerusalem added some experience to the club as it prepared to return to European play, signing Maccabi's Motti Daniel. Daniel is a coach's dream, a good defender who rarely does anything dumb on offense. He can hit three-pointers and isn't shy about putting his

body on the line. He can only help. Team captain Adi Gordon proved to all he's fully recovered from mononucleosis last year, in perhaps one of his finest seasons. Averaging 16.2 points a game and 5.5 assists, Gordon comes up clutch when it counts. Backcourt mate Papi Turgeman had a good year, with 11.7 ppg and 4.4 rebounds, hut largely disappeared against Maccahi. As for Doron Shefa, his hot hand in the latter part of the season and in the playoffs was a

4. MACCABI RISHON LEZION

JAMES GULLY, DARREN DAYE, Doron Jamchee, Eli Balonl, Tomer Karni, Moshe Brenner, Alexander Nikolitch, Guy Kedem, Erez Markovitch, Dror Hajaj, Haim Shimonov, Arik

LAST season was the one that got away from Maccabi Rishon Lezion. After riding the fine play of center James Gully to go undefeated for much of the early season, Rishon not only got bounced from the State Cup, but missed the Upper Playoffs when Galil Elyon's Gur Shelef hit a three-pointer at the buzzer in the final game of the season, and Bnei Herzliya was unexpectedly trounced by Maccabi Jerusalem.

That sort of nightmare shouldn't recur this season - Rishon bas not only re-signed Gnlly, the league's premier rebounder, but has added former

Daye - who played for Galil Elyon two years ago and is familiar with the Israeli league should provide plenty of needed experience, while Jamchee contributes the outside shooting on missed last year While the scoring machine he was in his prime, Jamebee - who was still on the sidelines last week due to a dispute with league officials about items in his contract - can still certainly fill it up when he gets hot, and with Gully to set him picks, he can look forward to plenty of shooting opportunities.

Rishon will also have Tomer Karni back at point guard after the youngster spent a year at Marist College in the US. The club also switched Baloul brothers, opting for the faster Eli over the bigger Kobi. Alexander Nikolitch won a few games off the bench last year with his fine shooting, and should be primed to spell Jamchee at shooting guard. But Rishon's chances still hinge on how well it plays defense, since few clubs will be able to match its firepower. If Daye can inspire his teammates to play D, this should be Rishon's

5. HAPOEL GALIL ELYON **COACH: DAVID BLATT**

ANDREW KENNEDY, JASON DIXON. Gur Shelef, Gil Sela, Alon Stein, Mark Craver, Oren Amiel, Guy Kantor, Avishai Gordon, Drajan Smilanovich, Joel

DAVID Blan's club certainly gave it the old college try last season. His collection of young, enthusiastic Israeli players supported by Andrew Kennedy and Pancho Hodges played with NCAA-style intensity, and Galil Elyon was the surprise of the league, hut in the end lacked enough offense to get to the finals.

The good news is that Kennedy and league MVP Gur Shelef are back; the bad news is that Galil Elyon is still looking for an outside threat. However, the arrival of point guard Guy Kantor from Hapoel Eilat will do much to improve the Galil attack. Alon Stein and Oren Amiel are capable backups, while Drajan Smilanovich - a 2.08 naturalized player just back from two years in the Yugoslavian league - could provide interior depth and scoring.

Alongside Shelef, Galil has another rising young star: Gil Sela, a forward whose game progressed tremendously last year under Blan's able tutelage. Sela streaks downcourt faster than most of the league's forwards, and coupled with Shelef, gives Galil an unstoppahle break. Kennedy has signed for two years, and Dixon is reportedly more of an offensive threat than Hodges, but not as capable on

defense. Some of that defensive effort will come from another naturalized player, Joel Kupelik, who will come off the bench along with Mark Craver. Unfortunately, neither is a pure shooter, which is why Galil Elyon may just miss the Upper Playoffs. However, much like their coach during his playing days, Galil plays a smart, take-oo-prisoners game, so no one should be surprised this year if Galil Elyon somehow sneaks in to a Final Four

National League.

COACH: ELI KENATI

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and Hapoel Petah Tikva ended the

second round of National League

action this weekend as the only

clubs to maintain a 100 percent

winning record. Despite playing

second fiddle to Hapoel Haifa, the

Betaris ended the match in the

ascendancy, while an impressive hat trick by Hapoel Petah Tikva

youngster Yaniv Offi suggested

good times may lie ahead for his side as the Petah Tikvans swept

On Friday, champions Maccahi Tel Aviv chalked up their first

league victory of the season, beat-

ing Hapoel Beersheba 2-1, while

yesterday Maccahi Haifa made

heavy work of Hapoel Jerusalem

ending 1-0 winners through a late

In the Second Division which

opened this weekend, an interest-

ing confrontation between newly-

promoted Maccabi Kafr Kana and

Maccahi Jaffa who were relegated

last season from the National

Mac. TA 2, Hap. Beersheba 1

Maccabi did not play well but still managed to beat Hapoel Beersheba in

the sweltering heat of Friday after-noon, the match was brought forward

by 3 day as the Tel Avivians travel to

the Canary Islands for their UEFA Cup

The first event of the afternoon came

Alon Brumer headed the hosts onto

the scoresheer in the 29th minute, as

they began the healing process of the

loss to Hapoel Haifa in their opening league match and Fenerbahce in the

European Champions' League last

Tel Aviv failed to capitalize on their

advantage and did not look the part of

champions. It showed, as Beersheba

managed to draw level when Shai

Holtzman converted a penalty in the

The Beershebans appeared prepared to settle for a point and that cost them,

as the Tel Avivians applied pressure

and Eli Driks, who came on as substi-

tute, tapped home in the 84th minute

from 6 cross by Yevgeny Kashentsev. Bet. Jerusalem 3, Hap. Haifa 1 The scoreline hides that fact that

Hapoel was the bener team on the

field, monopolizing possessioo and

displaying the best creative ideas.

Hapoel's midfield heavyweight combo of Tal Banin and Ran Ben-

Shimon ran the play while a distinct

lack of chemismy affected their Betar

counterparts Yossi Abuksls and Itzik

in the 23rd minute wheo Beersheba's

match with Tenerife on Wednesday.

Shimon Biton was sent off.

League ended in a 1-1 draw.

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Bet. Jerusalem, Mac. Haifa, Hap. PT register 2nd wins

DEREK FATTAL and ORI LEWIS

BETAR Jerusalem, Maccabi Haifa Zohar.

A touch of luck aided Betar's cause when a bobbling ball struck Hapoel defender Alon Halfon on the hand in the area in the 17th minute. Ronnen Harazi wasted no time converting from the spot.

Ten minutes passed before the Haifaites came back with one of the best goals of the round as Ben-Shimon crossed on the edge of the area straight to Amir Turiman who delivered the

From then on, Betar struggled to stay in the game, and only veteran Eli Ohana had the ability and the will to respond to Hapoel's gameplan. In the 62nd minute Haifa's Zlako Jupelic released a ficree shot that shook the home crowd as much as the crossbar with which it collided.

Betar coach Eli Cohen then brought Hungarian international forward Stefan Saloi on for the last 20 minutes in place of a central defender and from that point on the game's complexion was inexorably changed. Within a minute Saloi almost had the ball in the back of the net, jumping to meet a David Amsalem pass with his fore-

Ohana put the Betaris ahead in the 76th minute when he leaped up to meet a Zohar cross and he seemed to hang in mid air as he directed his header over the outstretched arms of Rafi Cohen and into goal.

Three minutes later, Harazi supplied the coup de grace following a deli-ciously sweet wall pass between Ohana and Saloi. With the whole Hapoel defense carved up like a Shabbai roast, Ohana fed the ball leftwards for Harazi to knock into goal for

Mac. Haifa 1, Hap. Jerusalem 0
Hapoel fooled the pundits who had
suggested that this would he a walkoverfor the Haifaites. Despite their limited abilities, the visitors proved stubborn opponents, frustrating Maccahl until the 82nd minute when Ronny Levy finally managed to strike the winning goal. Bnei Yehuda 1, Mac. PT 4

This entertaining contest started on the right foot for the Hatikva Quarter outfit with Amir Avigdor putting Bnei Yehuda ahead in the sixth minute, driving in a well-planted cross from captain Alon Mizrahi. The optimisoc start was soured wheo halfway through the first period when an intricate dead ball move led to an equalizing goal from the boot of Raz Rabinowitz.

Bnei Yehuda then had Alon Schwager dismissed just prior to the interval for a second bookable offense. A two-goal blast close to the hour mark from Ofer Shitrit gave the Petah Tikvans the poiots, and he added his third late goal from the penalty spot in

Hap. Taiba 1, Hap. Beit She'an 0 The Taibans ended this home match played in Netanya - with their first-ever National League victory before a lowly attendance of around 1,500

For most of the game the Taibans looked nervous and passed the ball around like a hot potato, appearing to suffer from a lack of familiarity. Although Beit She'an had the upper hand for most of the match they failed to translate superiority into goals. Hap. PT 4, Ironi Rishon 2

Hapoel Petah Tikva looks to have the "find of the season" in Yaniv Ofri. This young attacker demonstrated how straight speed can be a lethal weapon as he sprinted through Rishon's defense again and again in the first half, netting an impressive hat trick in

the process,

The Rishonis could only retort with
one goal - from a Mcir Azran penalty before the interval.

Eli Abarbanel extended the lead in the 80th mioute, but Nir Shikva cut the difference down to two goals three

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FINALIST - Michael Chang hits the ball back to Andre Agassi during their US Open semifinal match yesterday.

Chang beats Agassi, Graf downs Hingis

NEW YORK (AP) - Michael Chang, proving No. 2 seeding was no mistake, thorough thrashed No. 6 Andre Agassi 6-3, 6-2, 6-2 yesterday to advance to his first U.S. Open men's singles final.

SPORTS

Chang, who will be playing in his fourth Grand Slam tournament title match, including his second this year, will play the winner of yesterday's second men's late semifinal between top-seeded Pete Sampras, the defending champion, and No. 4 Goran

Earlier, Steffi Graf got her game into high gear and defeated 15-year-old Martina Hingis 7-5, 6-3 to return to the women's final for the fourth consecutive

Despite being ranked No. 3 in the world, five spots above Agassi, Chang was not the favorite in the battle for supremacy among the residents of the western American state of Nevada. Chang is from Henderson, Nevada, Agassi is from Las Vegas.

They both play similar all-court games, usually pounding away from the baseline with buge groundstrokes, but never afraid to go to the net. On this day, Chang won every battle, serving 16

aces - the last one on match point - to just four for Agassi led only in unforced errors, making nearly

twice as many as Chang, Forced to play a weiting game, defending champion Graf finally got her game going to defeat Hingis. Graf will face Monica Seles in a replay of last year's title match. Seles won her semifinal on Friday,

defeating fourth-seeded Conchita Martinez 6-4, 6-3

before rain halted play at the National Tennis Center. Graf also won the year's final Grand Slam tournament in 1993 and lost the 1994 championship match to Arantxa Sanchez Vicario. Graf's first two US Open titles came in 1988-89.

The Graf-Hingis battle began on Friday, only to be suspended in the second game with Hingis leading 1-

Graf, seeking her 21st Grand Slam tournament title, struggled early yesterday as Hingis forced her elder to wait. At the end of the changeovers, Graf was on the haseline, ready to play, while Hingis still was sitting in her chair, On Thursday

Pete Sampras, sick to his stomach, summoned all his Grand Slam courage tobeat inspired Spaniard Alex Corretja in a fifth-set tiebreaker that ended a four-hour nine-minute, epic struggle. Sampras vomited on court at one juncture and was

doubled over in pain after every point of the tiebreak but saw the tournament's longest match end on a Corretia double fault for a 7-6 (7-5), 5-7, 5-7, 6-4, 7-6 (9-7) triumph that put him into the semifinals. Defending champion Sampras, helped from the

court to rapturous cheers, advanced to a final four showdown against fourth-seeded Croatian Goran Ivanisevic, who put an end to the glorious Grand Slam career of Stefan Edberg. The owner of six major crowns, Edberg fell 6-3, 6-4, 7-6 (11-9) to finish the 54th successive and final

Grand Slam event. The Swede announced his retire-

meot plans earlier this seasoo.

Russia to face US in hockey World Cup semifinal

KANATA, Ontario (AP) -Buffalo Sabres backup Andrei Trefilov made 27 saves as Russia beat Finland 5-0 to advance to a World Cup semifinal against the

Andrei Kovalev, Sergeî Gonchar, Andrei Nikolishin, Dimitri Yushkevich and Andrei Kovalenko scored for Russia Friday night. The Russians face the United States today at Kanata. The US won the North American pool, clinching a quarter-final bye with a 5-2 vic-

tory over Russia.
"We have to play the same disciplined game and play hard defensively and play together like we did tonight to beat the Americans," said Trefilov, 8-8-1 with a 3.51 GAA in 22 games for Buffalo in the NHL last season.

Canada was scheduled to play Sweden last night in Philadelphia in the other semifinal. The best-of-3 championship series begins Tuesday night at Philadelphia.

A crowd of 15,347 - significantly more than turned out for Canada's 4-1 victory over Germany on Thursday night in Montreal - attended the game at the Corel Center. They were treated to occasional brilliant playmaking, along with long stretches of neutral-zone cir-

Still, it was a marked improvement for the Russians, who also lost to Canada in round-robin

Russia, which lost Alexei Zhamnov in the first period because of an apparent shoulder injury, converted one of three power plays. Finland failed on seven advantages, including a full two minutes of 5-on-3 late in



Man. Utd. crushes Leeds

LONDON (Reuter) - Eric Cantona missed a first-half penalty against his old club Leeds, but his Manchester United side still cruised to a 4-0 away win yesterday to put their English title defense back on track.

Cantona, who walked out on the Yorkshire side in 1992 within months of helping them to the championship, sent goalkeeper Nigel Martyn the wrong way from the spot kick but rolled the ball wide of the post. But the Frenchman, captain this

season, made amends hy scoring United's fourth goal in the final Earlier, a bizarre own-goal from Martyn, and strikes from Nicky Butt and Czech international Karel

Poborsky, propelled the defending champions forward. There were also 4-0 wins for Wimbledon and Middlesbrough, for whom Fahrizio Ravanelli scored his fifth and sixth goals of

the season. But no-one overhauled Sheffield Wednesday at the top of the league, even though they lost 2-0 at home to Chelsea. It was their first defeat of the season.

Wednesday has 12 points from five games, with Chelsea one point behind in second place.

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Walsall 1; Bournemouth 0, Crewe 1; Bristol City 2, Preston 1; Bury 3, Rotherham 1; Chesterfield 0, Brentford 2; Gillimgham 1, Burnley 0; Millwall Bristol 2, Rovers 0; Plymouth Notts County 0; Walford 1, ockport 0; Wrexham 1, Stockport 0; Wrexham 1, Peterborough 1; Wycombe 0, Luton 1; York 0, Shrewsbury 0.

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SCOTISH PREMIER: Celtic 5, Hiberman 0; Hearts 1, Dundee United 0; Kilmarnock 2, Dunfermline 2; otherwell 0, Rangers 1; Raith 1,

Lancashire wins Natwest Trophy

just 57, the lowest total ever in a Lord's final, as Lancashire won the Natwest Trophy by 129 runs

Glen Chapple took six for 18 hut the real destroyer was a controversial Lord's pitch, a seaming surface which also produced increasingly inconsistent bounce.

Not even Graham Gooch, seventh out for 10 to a shooter from Jason Gallian, could make and headway as Essex's capitulation took only 27.2 overs.

Besides Chapple, Lancashire had other heroes in Peter Martin, who took three for 17, and batsman John Crawley, who made 66 as they scored 186 and repeated their cup double triumph of 1990. But though the shortest September final in the 34-year history of the event will be remembered more for the harshness of the conditions than for performances, Chapple produced some great deliveries in a spell of 6.2 overs. The hall which removed Robert Rollins for a golden duck would

have beaten almost anybody. Gooch's struggle through 86 minutes and 55 balls, in which he hit just one four, summed up the difficulty while Essex will also point to Ronnie Irani's crucial downfall to a delivery which crept wickedly to hit off stump barely a third of the way up.

has hit his 500th career bome run, joining Hall of Famers Hank EDDIE!" for nearly nine minutes, Aaron and Willte Mays as the and Murray came out to give the LONDON (Reuter) - Essex made only players with at least 3,000 crowd a few heartfelt waves. The

hits and 500 homers. Exactly ooe year after Cal Ripken electrified a sellout crowd at Camden Yards by playing in his record 2,131st consecutive game, Murray became the 15th player to

hit 500 home runs. In the seventh inning of the Baltimore Orioles' rain-delayed game against the Detroit Tigers, he sent the first pitch from Felipe Lira over the right-field wall. His 21st homer of the season, a solo

shot, tied the game 3-3. Bob Higginson singled home Phil Nevin with the game-winning run in the 12th inning as the Tigers beat Orioles 5-4.

"It was amazing out there,"
Murray said afterward. "I got up to the plate and it was as quiet as it's ever been. They had been acting like it's a piece of cake to hit a home run."

It was only his second homer aince August 16. "It's one of those things you can't do when you're thinking

about it," Murray said. As soon as the ball cleared the wall, multi-colored confetti rained down on the field. Murray slowly circled the bases and was greeted by most of his teammates at the

A hnge hanner unfurled down the ivy-covered wall in center field that read, "CONGRATULA-

BALTIMORE - Eddie Murray TIONS EDDIE 500."

The crowd shouted "EDDIE! game was further delayed as ushers cleared the field of the confet-

Murray is hardly typical of the sluggers on the 500-homer list. He never hit more than 33 in a season and has reached 30 in only five of 20 seasons.

Butler returns in style Brett Butler, back after tonsil cancer surgery, scored the win-ning run onEric Karros's sacrifice fly in the eighth inning as the Los Angeles Dodgers edged the Pittsburgh Pirates 2-1.

Butler helped spark host Los Angeles into a first-place tie with the Padres in the National League West. The Dodgers have won 11 of their last 14 games.

Butler, who had surgery on May 21 and last played May 1, led off the eighth with a walk, stole second and took third when catcher Jason Kendall threw the ball into center field.

After Mike Piazza was intentionally walked hy Marc Wilkins (3-2), Karros hit a flyball to right, bringing Butler home.

"I tried to steal second base and I felt like I had a bear playing a piano on my back," Butler said. Bntler went 1-for-3 with a single, a walk and a stolen base. He received a standing ovation from the crowd of 41,509 at every at-

'It started when they first introduced us," said Butler. "The love and affectioo with the fans in this city, it's amazing. My first at-bat I had no composure at all." Antonio Osuna (9-5) got the

win, retiring only two batters. Todd Worrell pitched a perfect ninth and extended his team record with his 39th save.

Jeff King hit a two-out solo homer, his 28th, to give the Pirates a 1-0 lead in the first but Tim Wallach, who went 3-for-3, tied it with a homer in the second.

(AP. Reuter)

EARLY AL RESULT YESTERDAY:

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Dow up 50

NEW YORK (Reuter) . Bluechip stocks and bonds ended sharply higher Friday as the August employment report calmed fears about a sharp rise in interest rates by the Federal Reserve.

However, a belief that rates will still increase slightly boosted the dollar.

The Dow Jones industrial average ended up 52.90 points at 5,659.86, bouncing back from Thursday's 50-point fall. For the week, the Dow was up 43.65 points.

In the broader market, advancing issues beat declines 1,645 to 693 on moderate volume of 348

million shares on the exchange. Stocks shadowed the rebound in bonds after a key report on hourly wages soothed the frayed nerves of inflation-wary investors.

The 30-year Treasury bond rose more than half a point, and its vield, which moves in the opposite direction from the price, fell to 7.11 percent from 7.15% at Thursday's close.

The market is now betting on a modest rise of one-quarter percentage point in interest rates compared with recent talk that it could be a sharp increase of onehalf percentage point.

Inflation worries dominate WALL STREET WEEK

NEW YORK (AP) - The inflation debate has been confusing enough this year without Saddam Hussein's input.

But after all of Friday's headscratching about the true implications of the robust employment report, there was little doubt the latest US scrap with Iraq could upset even the rosiest of economic outlooks.

Despite US air strikes to help ensure that Saddam Hussein won't be able to disrupt oil production in neighboring Gulf nations, oil futures prices jumped more than seven percent to nearly \$24 a barrel over the past week as commodity traders reacted to news that the United Nations has delayed the sale of Iraqí oil in retaliation for attacks on Kurds in northern Iraq.

Rising energy prices almost invariably carry the threat of higher inflation, the biggest concern of the Federal Reserve when it con-

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The resurgent worries that inflation may accelerate, making a profit-slowing interest rate hike by the Fed more likely, could be exacerbated by the prospect of higher fuel prices, which can hit a company's bottom line just like any household budget.

But since the effects of futures trading aren't immediate, there's time for the commodity markets to settle down before bigher prices start showing up at the pump, and even more time before companies would start passing on rising production costs to the consumer.

On Friday, the Dow Jones indastrial average rose 52.90 to 5,659.86, giving the blne-chip measure a gain of 43.65 on the

The New York Stock Exchange's composite index rose 3.03 on Friday to 352.67, up 1.68 for the week. The Standard and Poor's 500-stock index rose 6.24 to 655.68, up 3.69 on the week.

The Nasdaq composite index rose 13.73 to 1,139.39 on Friday, but finished the week with a loss of 2.11. The American Stock Exchange's market value index rose 3.31 to 560.02, up 0.34 for the

The Wilshire Associates Equity Index - which represents the combined market value of all NYSE, American and Nasdaq issues - ended the week at \$6,4495 trillion, up \$15.726 billion from last week. A year ago the index stood at \$5.7268 trillion.

Euro bourses up

WORLD MARKET ROUNDUP

LONDON (Reuter) - European bourses ended with small gains after a volatile afternoon that saw them drop sharply in response to news of strong US jobs growth before staging a recovery, dealers

The initial drop was sparked by a one-point dive in US Treasury bonds that caught European markets off-guard.

In London, the FTSE touched a low of 3,856.8 after the dive in US Treasuries, before closing a net 5.8 points higher at 3,893.0. In Frankfurt, the DAX IBIS

Index that tracks all-day electronic trade closed up 10.19 points at 2.542.74. Paris also dropped at first, but then rallied above 2,000 and

closed up 8.52 points at 2,004.75.

Dollar moves higher

CURRENCY REPORT

NEW YORK (AP) - The dollar moved higher Friday, fullnwing stock and bond markets, after the government's monthly jobs report showed strong gains without beightening warries about

Bond prices initially fell after the Labor Department issued its report on August employment showing 250,000 new jnbs and a jobless rate of 5.1 percent, a seven-year low. But prices quickly recovered and by the time the stock markets opened, bonds, stocks and the dollar were mov-

While strong, the numbers weren't as robust as some had come to expect after surprisingly low weekly jobless claims mimbers were released Taursday.

In late New York trading, the dollar was worth 1.4920 German marks, up from 1.4854 marks on Thursday. The dollar was quoted at 109.32 Japanese yen, up from 109.13 yen.

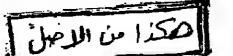
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*** MISSION: IMPOSSIBLE - Walching a quick, sharp summertime entertainment like this, adapted from the popular TV show, one hardly knows whether to laugh or to cry. We laugh because its surface is clever and its attitude toward action-movie and spy-thriller convections is so plainly tongue-in-cheek. Afterwards, when we stop to realize that it took \$70 million and the talents of a director as accomplished as Brian De Palma and a screenwriter like Robert (Chinarown) Towne to create such a silly bit of high-tech nothingness, we may be tempted to cry. Mission: Impossible is slylish, enjoyeble and painfully empty: it's hack work at

With Tom Cruise, Jon Voigt and Emmanuelle Beart - who takes a break from the elliptically lyrical likes of Claude Chabrol and Claude Seutet to drive Cruise's getaway car. (English dialogue, Hebrew subtitles. Parental guidance strongly advised)

*** THINGS TO DO IN DENVER WHEN YOU'RE DEAD - Written by Scott Rosenberg and directed by Gary Fleder, this clever exercise in hip morbidity stars Andy Garcia as Jimmy the Saint, a former seminary student and dapper exmobster, who's called in by his former boss (Christopher Welken) to perform one last "action" before he retires for good. Needless 10 say, things do oot go as planned, and the bossman declares Jimmy's gang of sadsack cronies

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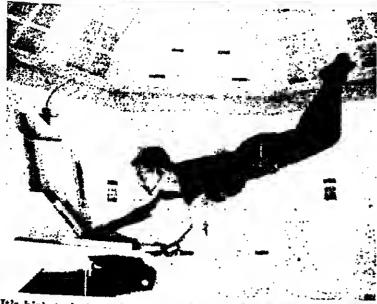
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It's high tech, but the resemblance to '2001' is only superficial. 'Mission: Impossible' is still showing in Tel Aviv, Ashkelon and elsewhere.

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The insistent clevemess of the dialogue, the dark, sleek look of the photography and carefully cultivated seediness of the settings combine to amuse us, but keep us at arm's length. The film's all-round nihilism seems, at best, a little sophomoric. At worst, it's yet another bit of knee-jerk generation-X cynicism. Garcia, though, gives a sad, smart, dry performance. Also with Gabrielle Anwar, Christopher Lloyd and the inevitable Steve Buscemi, (English dialogue, Hebrew subtitles. Children under 17 not admitted without an

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AND now, as Mooty Python used to have it, for something completely different. Richard E. Grant might not have achieved the Hollywood bankability of Gary Oldman and Tim Roth but, like them, he is one of Britain's brilliant new wave of actors. Having given an over-the-top performance in the cult classic Withnail and I, he went even further in How to Get Ahead in Advertising. (Both movies were written and directed by Bruce Robinson.) Advertising is an easy target for satirists, and this black comedy isn't particularly subtle, but Grant's performance, and the special effects, give the movie real bite. It's on the Movie Channel at 2:45 tomorrow morning, so unless you're an insomniac, set the video to catch this bizarre tale of an adman and his conscience.

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22:00 The Strong Man (1926) – a young Belgian soldier dreaming of his American pen-pal is unable to concentrate on his duties, even on the battlefield. Directed by Frank Capra 23:20 India Song (1975, French) – two love stories intertwine on the background of 1930s India. Directed by Marguerite Duras (116 mins.

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E VOICE OF MUSIC

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Three-year-old girl among fatalities

DAVID RUDGE and Itim

SIX people were killed and seven others were injured - five seriously - in road accidents nationwide over

On Friday night a car traveling along the Nazareth-Shfaram highway in the Galilee crashed into a horse that had strayed onto the road.

The driver and one of the passengers, from a village in the North, were killed and another passenger was

Police said the accident happened about two kilo-meters from the village of Adi, as the car was travel-

ing towards Nazareth. Also Friday, Yuri Maziberg, 33, of Kiryat Gat, was killed when his car hit a truck head-on at the Revaha

A passenger traveling in his car suffered moderate

Two men were killed yesterday when two cars crashed head-on near Kibbutz Lavi in the North. The driver of one of the cars apparently swerved out of his lane to avoid a fox and crashed into the oncoming

Both drivers, Ronni Cohen, 30, of Tiberias, and Yitzhak Dahan, 22, of Kiryat Yam, were killed. Four passengers in the cars were badly hurt.

A three-year-old girl was killed yesterday in Kfar Sava after being hit by a car.
In Ashdod, a 20-year-old man was seriously hurt when he was bit by a car and was thrown about 10 meters, according to police.

Police said he had apparently crossed against the

Nurses strike called off

THE scheduled strike by public hospital nurses due to begin today was canceled Friday, as the Tel Aviv Labor Court persuaded the government and the nurses mion

On Friday morning, the Health Ministry asked Judge Sara Meiri for restraining orders against the tives agreed to enter intensive

nurses, who are demanding a significant increase in the number of nurses' job slots to cope with the growing number of patients in

But after ministry representa-

the request for restraining orders

were postponed. The two sides agreed to enter serious talks to deal with hospital

manpower problems. They will report back to the court before or during the next discussion of the case on Thursday. .

Meshi-Zahav questioned about haredim who ran roadblock

LEADING haredi activist Yehuda Meshi-Zahav was questioned by police Friday in connection with an incident the previous night in which several haredi men driving in his car ran a police roadblock, a police spokeswoman said.

The haredi men ran through the road-block inside the Har Hotzvim Industrial Zone late Thursday night, puncturing the vehicle's tires.

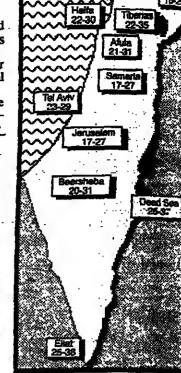
and then fled in the direction of Ramot, abandoning the car and escaping on foot just outside the

Flyers denouncing Chief Justice Aharon Barak were found in the abandoned car, the spokeswoman

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olice protection for over a week, following threats on his life from haredi circles.

Meshi-Zahav was not in the car at the time it ran the road-block, but he was questioned because he owned the vehicle and is apparently connected to the occupants, who have yet to be located, the spokes-



AROUND THE WORLD

Bakshi-Doron condemns secular youth

SEPHARDI Chief Rabbi Eliahu Bakshi-Doron condemned secular youth and the education they receive in a speech he made on

"Youth are raised here who have no idea what true Jewish values are," he said to members of the

there is [a place called] 'Alcohol Valley,'" he continued. "What percent of 16 to 18-year-olds, and soldiers on leave from the army, go to bars and their 'culture' is to

He noted that religious youth are impatient, which is why they turn to kabbalists, such as Rabbi Yitzhak Kadouri, for hlessings

divorce is not what it used to be. Who are the youth's idols?

"Those who have had at least three or four wives throughout their lives."

assassination of prime minister Yitzhak Rabin, saying, "That is one of the most severe curses ever visited on the People of Israel."

(Itim)

Egyptians release Egged driver found with bullets in bus

AN Egged bus driver arrested Thursday by the Egyptians after bullets were found in a magazine in the bus's luggage compartment

was released Friday. Yosef Ishar, 44, of Beersheba was arrested by the Egyptians after a search of the luggage compartment turned up the magazine

for an M-16. The 80 passengers on the hus were taken off and Ishar was taken to the A-Tur prison. On Friday hewas taken before a judge and fined

A taxi sent by Egged brought him back to Israel, and the hus, which was impounded by the Egyptians, was returned following

the intervention of officials from both the Foreign Ministry and

Egged.

The bus had to be repaired, as the Egyptians used a crowbar to

open the luggage compartment.
Egged spokesman Ron Ramer said that as a result of the incident, no buses would enter Egyptian territory from Israel until a special meeting could be held to discuss

He said the 80 tourists who had gone on the hus to the Taba Hilton would have to find alternative transportation to get to the Israeli side of the border, where an Egged bus would pick them up.

Local firms seek more business from UN

MARILYN HENRY

AN international market may open for Israeli companies when they introduce their wares to United Nations buyers at "Peacekeeping '96" - a trade exhibition and procurement seminar that opens tomorrow in New York.

The UN spends \$4 hillion a year on products and services for its peacekeeping and humanitarian programs, but Israeli firms contract for less than \$20 million, said David Rubin, who heads Israel's omic mission to the US

The UN is a bureaucratic organization that is difficult to sell to, Ruhin said, adding, "once you start selling to it, it's a nice business." In June, Rubin held a seminar in Tel Aviv for 100 Israeli companies to talk about selling to the UN. This week's exhibition is the first step in

direct marketing. The UN's major purchases include freight and transportation services, prefabricated buildings, water purification systems, and communications equipment. It is also in the market for demining services, as the UN expects to remove 110 million land mines in more than

The Israeli exhibitors include Achidatex, which makes protective equipment; Dispomedic, which specializes in disposable syringes; Nirosoft, which manufactures water treatment and desalination systems; Orlil, producer of "image intensifier tubes" and night vision tubes; Optomedic, which specializes in laser optics; Taro, a pharmaceuticals concern; and Tuttnauer, which makes infection control equipment.

Markets aside, Israel's charge d'affaires at the UN, David Peleg. has recommended that the government increase its participation in UN civilian peacekeeping activi-

Although less than half of UN members are involved in peacekeeping, Peleg said, the peacekeepers "are a respectable club and I

want to be in that club." Israel has won international recognition for its field hospital for

Rwandan refugees. And an Israeli doctor, Yaakov Adler, is an executive in the med-

ical unit of UN peacekeeping oper-

NEWS IN BRIEF

De Niro meets former GSS officials

Actor Robert De Niro met with former intelligence officials here this week to research his role in a movie on the Middle East

A photo in Friday's Yediot Aharonot showed De Niro sitting at a table with former General Security Service chief Ya acov Perry. De Niro took notes as Perry spoke. Yediot said De Niro spent three days in Israel before leaving in

his private plane Thursday.

Peres discusses setting up Fiat plant in Gaza Labor Party leader Shimon Peres said yesterday he had held talks with the honorary chairman of Italian car group Fiat about the

possibility of setting up a car plant in the Gaza Strip.

Peres told a news conference during a three-day business forum at a North Italian lakeside resort that he had held a private meeting with Giovanni Agnelli on Friday to discuss the venture.

Peres, who said he had broached the subject at a previous meeting, said: "I suggested that he have a new look at it and he agreed. We are very encouraged by his support for the plan."

Peres said that the car plant under discussion would produce subcompact cars and had the potential to create hundreds of jobs. Woman, 80, robbed in Tei Aviv home An 80-year-old Tel Aviv woman was robbed by a man who came to

the door of her King George Street home asking for a glass of When the woman went to get the water, he stole her pocketbook, containing NIS4,000, and fled from the scene. An hour earlier a similar incident happened on Rehov Weizmann,

but the robber did not succeed in stealing anything and fled.

Peres named 'Man of the Year' Labor Party leader Shimon Peres has been voted "Man of the

Year," according to a Channel 1 television poll.

The poll was conducted by Mina Tzemach before and after the Binyamin Netanyahu-Yasser Arafat summit.

In the first survey, 23 percent voted Peres "Man of the Year" and 17% picked Netanyahu. After the summit meeting, the result was Peres 28% and

Asked who was the most disappointing man of the year, those surveyed said Netanyahu (25%), Peres (16%), David Levy (11%) and Haim Ramon (8%).

The Neveh Sha'anan pedestrian mall, inaugurated Friday by Tel Aviv Mayor Ronni Milo, quickly filled with shoppers. The 800-meter long mall connects the old and new Tel Aviv bus stations.

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Ministry receives proposal to help curb

outbreak of child prostitution

to Pamela Butter for help carried a It was a gift from the girl's

"boyfriend," who used it to keep tabs on her. He also used it to set up meetings with customers with whom

cellular phone.

she was to have sex. "If she didn't do exactly what he told her to do, he threatened to publish videos he had of her in all

kinds of sexual acts," said Butter, an attorney who heads the Haifa Children's Rights Center. But when the girl, accompanied by the center's community work-

er, turned to the youth department of the Haifa police to complain about the hoyfriend who had forced her into prostitution, the police said they would first have to contact her mother.

The girl fled, never to be heard from again.

She was one of five youngsters in the Haifa area who has turned to the center in the past three years

saying she were coerced into pros-But the problem is far more

A friend of the 14-year-old's 11 to 17- who have been lured by much older than themselves.

Finding out exactly how extensive child prostitution is would require resources far beyond the means of the Haifa center, Butter said.

Now, however, following the World Congress Against Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children held last month in Stockholm, an organization here

determine the extent of the probextensive, Butter said,

told Butter she knows many teenagers - girls in distress aged offers of clothes and other treats into sexual relationships with men

Then the "boyfriends" threaten to kill the girls or release damning videos if they don't do as they're

Vipers 'Netanyahu,'

'Arafat' smitten, not bitten

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) - A pair of poisonous snakes named Netanyahu and Arafat flew in from Israel and promptly fell in love, the Cyprus Mail

reported Friday. Introduced for the first time after arriving on this island,

famed since antiquity as a trysting spot for lovers. Netanyahu and Arafat

believed their goddess of love. Aphrodite, was born in a burst of foam

"There's no doubt about it. They are in love," said Avinoam Lourie,

ESTHER HECH plans to establish a data center to

> A proposal has been presented to the Labor and Social Affairs Ministry, said Leah Gruenpeter-Gold, secretary-general of Shani, the Israel branch of the International Abolitionist

> So far, gathering information has been surprisingly difficult. "Police here pretend to cooperate with us, but they don't really,"

Gruenpeter-Gold said. Until recently, she added, even some organizations that work for children's rights denied that child prostitution exists here. Mapping the problem is just a

first step. Shani has also proposed training for professionals - social workers, doctors, psychiatrists, lawyers, judges and police who times.

"Our goal is to make them aware that a child prostitute is a victim, not an offender," Gruenpeter-Gold explained. According to Butter, men like the 14-year-old's "boyfriend" are guilty of a combination of crimi-

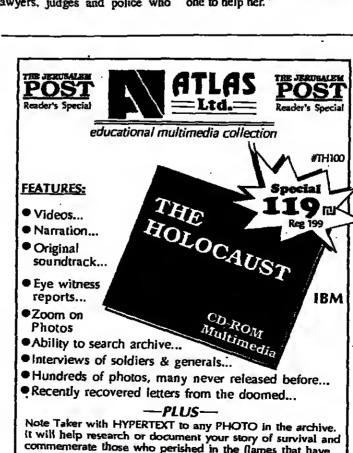
into prostitution, blackmail and threats of murder. There was absolutely no legal hasis for the police insistence on contacting the girl's parents, Butter said.

nal offenses, including coercion

In response to a complaint hy the Haifa center, a branch of the children's rights group Defense for Children International, the police admitted they had made a mistake and that the incident would be investigated.

But the damage was already done, Butter said.

"We lost the girl," Butter said. "She realized she can't trust anyone to help her."



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sit and drink beer?"

He went on to criticize the youth's lack of patience and toler-

and help. Bakshi-Doron also said, "Today

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The Mail quoted Lourie as saying the snakes met for the first time Wednesday, the same day Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat had their first, albeit somewhat less joyous, encounter. The Mail did oot disclose the sex of either snake but identified both as a type known as "poisonous Palestinian vipers." The pair came from the Carmel Animal Reserve in Haifa. They are now on display at the Snake George Reptile Park, which opened Thursday near Paphos, not far from the place where ancient Greeks

Israeli arrested in Athens for smuggling cocaine ATHENS (AP) - An Israeli man believed to be a member of an international drug smuggling ring was arrested at Athens airport on

were promptly smitten.

the zoologist who accompanied them to Cyprus.

Friday after police found five kilograms of cocaine in his luggage. Yehuda Sabbag, 44, was arresied after getting off a flight from Brazil. Police found the cocaine in the linings of three jackets and two overnight bags. They said it had been chemically dissolved and then painted onto the cloth to

escape abroad," Papadakis said. He added that Sabbag was again arrested by German authorities in 1993 with seven kilograms of

avoid detection. Papadakis said. Athens security chief Brig.-Gen. Yannis Papadakis said that Sahbag, a resident of Bolivia, had arrests, convictions or the method a list of prior arrests and convicof his escapes from prison.

"He is a member of an internaticoal drug ring. He had been arrested in 1988 in Israel for selling drugs, was convicted to nine years, but in 1991 managed to

cocaine but again managed to flee. He then traveled to Bolivia, where he opened a pizza parlor. Papadakis did not give further details about Sahhag's prior